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Doings of the Legislators

(ED. A. NOWACK.)

Lansing—Defeat was recorded last Friday in the legislature of the child labor amendment to the federal constitution by a vote of 61 to 24. Fifteen members were absent. A public hearing the previous night not only engendered much bitterness but presaged the defeat the measure met. Individual debate on the resolution was limited to 10 minutes. Of the dozen who talked Rep. Espie, Eagle, was frequently interrupted by applause from both sides.

Determined opposition to Rep. Roberg's proposal to relieve churches, ecclesiastical corporations and such from the corporation tax was jockeyed about so badly that it has been referred to the committee on general taxation.

Appropriation Bills Out. Many appropriation bills are coming out of institutional committees and sent to the ways and means committee for final scrutiny. Speaker Fred Wells is continuing his urging to committees to continue working at top speed to clean the slate. There is an organized effort to have the session end soon after March 30. If this fails it will not be because the speaker laid down. Chairmen Kirby, Evans and Watson of the important committees are keeping their committee work well cleaned up. Friday saw no new bills introduced. Every member fought shy of introducing bill No. 200, that bill carrying a penalty and the boys therefore playing a watchful waiting policy.

Capital Punishment May Carry. If the poll of the house taken by Rep. Kooyers, Holland, remains unchanged, there will be the death penalty for murderers in Michigan. The capital punishment bill was introduced by Rep. McEachron, Hudsonville. The poll shows 32 votes for it in the house and 11 in the senate with many senators not yet polled.

Of the new bills introduced Rep. Oberdorfer, Stephenson, would make every lawyer eligible to probate judgments except in counties of 10,000 or under. Rep. Hartman, Houghton, would increase the curriculum of the College of Mines to include metallurgical mining. Rep. Minge, Cheboygan, would fix state payments to districts having normal school classes at \$3,000 for each teacher and not more than \$2,000 annually. Rep. Watson, St. Clair, would permit cities of the fourth

class to pay out money for street and sidewalk improvements. Senator Condon, Detroit, would make it a felony for a person to carry small fire arms, fourth conviction on the charge to be a term of life imprisonment. Sen. Young, Lansing, would close all commercial stores on Sundays. Sen. Gansser, Bay City, would permit mutual fire insurance companies to adopt the Michigan Standard policy. Sen. Hunter, St. Johns, would increase the pay of the stenographer in the 29th judicial to \$2,500.

Taxation Measure. Rep. Evans, Tipton, would limit exemptions for churches, fraternal and similar organizations. Rep. Read, Manistee, would make the state tax commissioner and commissioner of agriculture. Rep. Espie, Eagle, would have regular tax levies collected on actual cash value of the stock of investment companies that deal in stocks, bonds and mortgages. Rep. Haight, Lansing, would establish a state criminal identification bureau to be operated by state police and accessible to all state police agencies. Another bill by him would require all police and firemen in cities of 25,000 population or over to be given 24 hours off every seven days and 20 days in addition each year.

New Gaming Bill In. Senator Bahorski, Detroit, would reenact the gaming law declared invalid by the state supreme court last year. This will prevent publication of racing odds.

Senator Woodruff, Wyandotte, would compel all municipally owned utilities to file and publish annual reports and to establish a uniform accounting system. Rep. Armstrong, Wayne, would limit to four the number of counties in which farmers' mutual fire insurance companies could operate.

Rep. Espie, Eagle, would tighten up the laws of drunk driving. A bill he has introduced would make the driver, on conviction of the first offense, lose his license for a year. On the second offense he would lose it for three years and the third conviction would mean a life spent without further driving permits.

REPLY FROM REP. FARRIER.

Lansing, Michigan, February 20, 1925.

Mr. Marius Hanson, Prop'r. Bank of Grayling, Grayling, Michigan. Dear Mr. Hanson:

Your letter received, in reference to the location of the new Normal School in the northern part of the lower peninsula of Michigan.

I am enclosing a bill which provides for the appropriation for this new institution.

I am not in a position to state at this time, or do I know as to whether or not this bill providing for the appropriation will pass the Michigan Legislature this session and you will notice by the bill that the State Board of Education is authorized to procure a suitable site for the location of this institution, if it be authorized by the Legislature.

I shall be glad to hear from you at any time on any issue now before the Legislature.

Very truly yours, N. G. Farrier.

CALIFORNIAN BOOSTS MICH.

A Californian, while spending part of a summer at Indian River, Michigan, said to his host:

"Good Lord, if you Michiganders with your water and air had our California boosting spirit and advertising ability you would have the whole United States here every summer."

PADDY BURKE IN TROUBLE AGAIN

SHERIFF AND DEPUTIES FIND LIQUOR ON PREMISES.

John W. (Paddy) Burke, of Frederic who just served a term in federal prison at Atlanta, for violation of liquor law, was again arrested for a similar offense Saturday night by Sheriff Bohenmeyer and two deputies. Also his bartender Wm. Arnette, was arrested and both brot to the county jail here, where they were retained until Tuesday afternoon when they were taken to Bay City for arraignment.

The officers, arriving in Frederic proceeded at once to the Burke hotel, and under authority of a search warrant searched the place. They found a half gallon of moonshine in the shed immediately off the bar room, and two half pint bottles in the room occupied by Arnette.

Both men were present and the officers immediately placed them under arrest, and brot them to Grayling. Burke has had much experience before the criminal courts of this county and also the federal court of Bay City. For a great many years before the nation became dry he was interested in the saloon business in Frederic. Since that time he has been convicted several times for selling liquor. About two years ago he served a short period of imprisonment and on Dec. 29th he returned home from serving a year's sentence in the federal prison in Atlanta.

It was believed that Pat would this time behave himself and quit the illicit dealing but it seems the temptation for making money in that manner was irresistible for him and it appears that he is again in serious trouble. He took his arrest very seriously and cried like a child when arrested. For the greater part of the past two years his family has been deprived of his presence which he is greatly needed, which is very hard upon the family. The selling habit with Mr. Burke seems to be so firmly fixed in his life as the drink habit to an inebriate. Personally Pat is a good fellow and generous to a fault and one of those who is always ready to sacrifice to help anyone who may be in need. He is a loyal citizen to his town and a devoted worker for the interest of his community.

We are indeed sorry that he had not learned his lesson before this last venture and that he could not have continued a law abiding citizen, where his usefulness and usefulness to his community would have been for good.

New Gown for Niagara Falls

Niagara Falls has ordered a new evening gown of 1,320,000,000 candlepower of light which she will wear for the admiration of tourists this summer, according to a report received by the Michigan public utility information bureau here.

Twenty-four 36-inch searchlights will flood the falls with light for four hours every night. On special occasions, through the use of color screens vivid tints in numerous combinations will play on the falling water and drifting mist. By turning all the light vertically, a beam visible for 100 miles will be possible under suitable atmospheric conditions. Goat Island and the island above the falls will be flood-lighted.

The lights will be turned on for the first time May 24; Queen Victoria's birthday.

Apostle Man of Learning

St. Paul was educated in all the learning of the Jewish doctors of the law, as he states himself. His addresses also show that he had a knowledge of classical literature, particularly the literature of the Greeks. There were many seats of learning in the East in his time, that what would call a university was situated in his native city of Tarsus in Cilicia.

The Village Candidates

ALL OFFICERS EXCEPT TREAS. RE-NOMINATED.

The following candidates were nominated at the Village caucus last week Monday night at the Court house:

President—Richard D. Connine. Clerk—Chris Jensen. Treasurer—Roy Milnes. Tipstee—Frank Sales, Dan Hoell, Geo. McCullough. Assessor—James W. Sorenson.

The following village committee was elected: Marius Hanson, chairman; O. P. Schumann, and Herb Gothro.

Marius Hanson acted as chairman of the caucus, O. P. Schumann, secretary and Herb Gothro, Holger F. Peterson and Lorane Sparkes, tellers.

PACK THEATRE FOR S. S. BENEFIT PLAY

HOME TALENT DRAMA WAS FINE SUCCESS.

"Mother Mine" presented at Temple theatre Tuesday night by local talent, benefit for the Sunday school department of the Michelson Memorial church, was a grand success in every way. The young people in their stuff in a very capable manner and were greeted by a packed house. Every seat in the theatre, including the balcony, was occupied and many were standing.

The play was given under direction of Owen Cameron, who is spending the winter off the road, and it is largely due to his training and instructions that the play went off so nicely.

The leading parts were taken by Miss Fox, as Miranda Peaslee, and Mr. Cameron as Jerry MacConnell. Miss Fox appeared in every act and in nearly every scene, and played her part in a capable and most pleasing manner. Cynthia and Blanche Whitcomb, parts taken by Misses Harris and Thomas, wives of the community's leading citizens, played their parts attractively. Lucella Colleen and Helen Schumann, as Mary Tisdale and Lillian Whitcomb, chief young ladies, added nicely to the romance of the play. Mrs. Andrew Brown, as Lettie, the neighborhood gossip, played her part exceptionally well. Dr. Goslow and Russell Robinson, feudal farmers and each solicited for the welfare of the community's leading citizens played their parts well and with good make-ups. Albert Schroeder as Jack Payson played his part well. Ralph Hollowell a constable and Gordon Chamberlain, representatives of a Boston newspaper, entered into the final act very nicely.

The play hinged about Mrs. Peaslee who, after marrying off the last daughter of her sister whom she had mothered, longed for a son. In this she was gratified when Jerry MacConnell, in need of food, entered her home with the intention of robbery but instead, was befriended and given a home. There was considerable humor in the play as well as beautiful sentiment and the audience was delightedly pleased.

The Sunday school netted \$85.00 for their efforts.

Miss LaSalle, delightfully pleased the audience with her vocal solos, between the acts.

OUR COUNTRY STILL BEST.

"Big Bill" Haywood would rather come to America and face prison, than to stay in the communistic Russia of his muddled dreams. Emma Goldman, sick at heart over the failure of the soviet, oligarchy to give even dream a people's government, wants to come "home" to the land she said she despised. Theodore Petroff, a vulgar swindler caught in Wisconsin, pleads for life imprisonment in this country rather than deportation and freedom in Russia.

Only a blind man will say that everything is "all right" in Our Country. There are many things that need fixing; things that need the golden rule and the rule of common sense and the teachings of experience. But it is still the best country. It can be made still better when more realize this in the same sense that any sovereign realizes the responsibility for the charge committed to his care.

More active participation in every public move an intelligent vote in every primary, a renunciation that every broken law is a personal assault on the national life, would greatly improve social and political conditions in our country.

WHOLE NATION MAY HEAR.

It is announced that the inaugural ceremonies, March 4, will be broadcast by a chain of stations scattered across the continent so that every nook and corner of the United States will be in tune with Washington.

Forty stations will be linked together by telephone wires, breaking all records for interconnection between broadcasters.

When President Harding was inaugurated in 1921, the public address system was employed enabling the crowd of 125,000 which filled the plaza and overflowed into the park to hear his voice.

Think of the wonderful advancement during the short period of four years! President Coolidge's voice will be carried to a national audience of 25,000,000.

GRAYLING TROUCE SAGINAW TRIANGLES

Saturday night our Legion basketball team met and defeated the Saginaw Triangles in a fast and thrilling game.

The count was so close and game so fast that every one of the far-too-few fans were on edge all during the contest.

The game was very fast and at times seemed rather rough, due to the fact that both teams were setting such a terrific pace. There was considerable holding and charging, on both sides, the Triangles doing the greater part of the holding and our team doing most of the charging.

The local cagers took an early lead and in no time during the fray were the visitors ahead although they were always close to our heels and at one time during the latter part of the game they tied the count at 24 all.

Our lads put forth all their efforts and caged three baskets in rapid succession, and maintained a small lead until the final whistle.

The Triangle team is composed of the banished Mt. Pleasant Normal together with Francis and Anderson, former Mt. Pleasant players who starred with them two years ago. Jack player was a star in his position but they lacked the teamwork which really is what makes a basketball team. Our team played well and displayed excellent teamwork, great defensive power and a wicked eye for long shots. Several pretty baskets were made from long range on both sides and it would be hard to say who made the nicest plays. The breaks of the game were evenly divided for both teams, made some shots which were nothing but luck, if there is such a thing.

Dickie, of the visitors was high scorer of the evening with 15 points. Johnson, Smith and Reynolds scored 11, 10, 9 points, respectively. Heubner was the main cog in their team and worked well with Dickie. For the home team the credit for the victory is equally divided and every man deserves an equal share in winning from the Triangles. Brown replaced Reynolds near the close of the game and succeeded in getting around their guards for two close-up baskets.

Summary:

Saginaw: Dickie, R. F. Reynolds, Francis, I. F. Smith, Heubner, C. Johnson, Anderson, R. G. Hanson, Failing, L. G. McPhee.

Score first half, Saginaw 16, Grayling 19.

Final score, Saginaw 31, Grayling 36.

Field goals, Dickie 6, Francis 1, Heubner 3, Reynolds 4, Smith 4, Johnson 5, Dickie 3 in 4, D2Pal2 Johnson 5, McPhee 1, Brown 2. Free throws Dickie 3 in 4, Francis 5 in 6, Heubner 2 in 2, Failing 1 in 1, Reynolds 1 in 2, Smith 2 in 4, Johnson 1 in 1.

Substitutions, Brown for Reynolds. Referee, E. E. Smith. Scorer, E. J. Sparks.

In the preliminary 8th grade won from the Juniors 17 to 20 in a fast and hard fought battle.

"Bill" Johnson was the bright light for the 8th grade while M. Bivida scored all except 3 points for the losers.

Insects on Plants

Insects are quite apt to gather on plants after they are taken indoors. To remove this annoyance use soap suds for watering the plants or simply hot water. Fill a cup and with a spoon pour the very hot water, beginning at the edge of the pot and pouring each spoonful nearer to the plant until it is careful not to get any on the stalks. If one application does not effectually remove the pests, repeat the process the following day.

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Principal Events In Grayling 25 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 25 YEARS AGO.

Born—February 11th, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Cushman.

J. Boesen is renovating his shop on the corner of Railroad and Ogema streets for a dwelling.

Thomas KeChittago has moved back to town. Country air and work do not agree with him.

H. Joseph took his boy to Harper hospital, Detroit, last week, where he was operated on for appendicitis, and is reported far on the road to recovery.

The Knights of Maccabees of Michigan who commenced business in 1881, has had a most phenomenal growth. They now have a membership of nearly 85,000.

An engine was disabled last Thursday, near Roscommon, so that an engine had to be sent from here to take the train off the main track so that passenger trains could pass.

James Watson of Roscommon was in town Monday on business and made a call. He is full of Republican politics and an ardent supporter of Colonel Bliss for governor.

About a score of members of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. went to Gaylord Tuesday to visit the Post and Corps of that Village. A sumptuous banquet was spread and a good social time enjoyed.

The Grayling Social club was entertained last Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Alexander, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain. Eight tables reported doing the favors were won by Mrs. L. T. Wright and Mrs. Insley. Refreshments were served and the evening was very pleasantly spent. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Fournier, assisted by Dr. and Mrs. Insley.

Supervisor Hanna of Beaver Creek was in town yesterday.

Frank R. Deckrow has busted his sawing machine again, and "broke camp."

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Harrington are enjoying a visit from his niece, Miss Murphy of Midland.

Peter E. Johnson and wife, now visiting in Denmark evidently believe in expansion as there was born to them January 23rd, a son and a daughter and all are reported doing well, especially Grandpa A. C. Wilcox.

The warmth of Sunday and Monday

will save all the running.

FROM NOTHING TO \$300,000.00.

A piece of resort property in Michigan which was sold in 1871 with "good will, love and affection" as the consideration of exchange sold last week for \$300,000.00.

The tract is Sugar Island, one of the popular resort places of Detroit. It was sold by the White Star line to a company of local realtors who will

use it as a summer home colony. The island has an area of 28 acres and a shore line of 5,000 feet.

Sugar Island, according to the abstract of title, was obtained by Alexander and William Macomb from the Pottawatamie Indians together with five other islands for the consideration mentioned above.

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ST. IGNACE COMING SATURDAY

Next Saturday, the American Legion basketball team will have as their opponents the Legion team of St. Ignace. The Northerners are coming here with a splendid record, having won twelve out of fifteen games so far this season. They have met and defeated some of the best teams in the Upper Peninsula. The only way we have to compare them with any team we have played is their game with Cheboygan and they won from them by a larger score than we did.

In Valler, Quance and MacGregor they have three very good forwards and in LaRoque, Bell and Manson they have very good defensive material as well as men who are capable shots. Hall and Madden are both fine pivot men and are sure to keep our center hustling all the time. Our team is going better than ever and is in fine shape for a hard tussle. Come out and see this game.

A good preliminary has been arranged to start at 8 o'clock, the big game will follow soon after the preliminary.

Schram's Ramblers will furnish music for a dance immediately following the game.

BUILDING MATERIAL

Building days are nearly here and 1925 promises to be a hummer. There is sure to be much building and remodeling and general repair work.

Now is the time to consult your builder and lay out your plans, while he is not too busy to give you needs plenty of thought and consideration.

For builders supplies, bring your estimates to us and we will be pleased to give you the benefit of our knowledge about materials, costs, etc.

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Radio in Spain

Spain was almost the last of the older nations to take up radio seriously; but now over 100,000 licenses have been issued for the installing of receiving sets. There are many amateur broadcasting stations in the towns, employing up to the maximum power, which is 100 watts. It is prohibited for an amateur to use a set with a wave-length between zero and 120 meters, so that very short wave transmission is virtually impossible for them. All amateur transmitting sets are subject to a tax of 200 pesetas which must be paid to the Spanish government annually.

If one lives in a glass house, one may as well be a gossip. All the stones have been thrown.

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When a cold is neglected it attacks the lining of the breathing passages—then it's pneumonia.

Father John's Medicine treats colds and prevents pneumonia because it nourishes the system and drives out the poisonous waste matter—any other way of treating a cold is likely to lead to pneumonia.

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The Free Traders

By VICTOR ROUSSEAU

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SPRINGING THE TRAP

SYNOPSIS.—Lee Anderson, Royal Canadian Mounted Police sergeant, is sent to Stony Range to arrest a man named Pelly for murder. He is also instructed to look after Jim Rathway, reputed head of the "Free Traders," illicit liquor runners. At Little Falls he finds Pelly is credited with having found a gold mine, and is missing. At the hotel appears a girl, obviously out of place in the rough surroundings. A half-breed, Pierre, and a companion, "Shorty," annoy the girl. Anderson interferes in her behalf. The girl sets out for Stony Lake, which is also Anderson's objective. He overtakes her and the two men with whom he had trouble the night before. She is suspicious of him and the two men are hostile.

CHAPTER III—Continued

Shorty glared at him. "Say, what kinda game are you playin, that's what we want to know?" he demanded. "Is this a show-down or ain't it?"

"Not for me," answered Lee.

"All right!" Shorty clambered on his horse with an oath and cantered back to where Pierre was standing, cursing as he tried to tighten his girth. A colloquy ensued. The pair rode up to the girl, who was already in her saddle. There followed an animated pantomime, with gesticulations toward Lee. The girl seemed to sit obediently mute, as if she remained neutral.

Suddenly Shorty wheeled his horse about. "Come along, Pierre, I guess we've give the fool his chance!" he shouted. And to Lee's surprise, the pair kicked their mounts in the ribs, and in a moment were off at full gallop, along the trail leading into the range beyond the valley.

The girl and Lee looked after them till they were out of sight. Then she rode slowly up to where Lee was sitting on his mount.

"I understand that you insist on accompanying me?" she asked. "Despite the fact that I have made it clear I do not require your company?"

"I'm sorry you take my presence in that spirit. I assure you I have no desire to be troublesome. But under the circumstances I must ask leave to go with you as far as your destination."

She bit her lip.

"I suppose you mean what you are doing as a kindness," she said. "And since you appear determined to accompany me, I suppose there is no use in our talking with each other, is there?"

"I wish we could be friends," answered Lee, offering her his hand.

But the girl's little hand did not advance to meet his.

"I mean," she said, "if we are companions, we may as well acknowledge it, though I assure you, I am a very unwilling one. That does not imply friendliness. I hope your persistence will be properly rewarded."

"Let me say once and for all," Lee answered, "that I have no desire to pry into your business. I don't even know your name, or wish to ask it."

"If I dared to tell myself believe that you have no other purpose in view than just to protect me—" she began.

"But it is impossible. Men aren't like that. They are wolves, they are vengeful, treacherous, cunning, remorseless. Oh, if I could believe you, if I dared trust you—"

"I would do anything on earth to help and serve you," answered Lee.

"If you mean seriously that you find it so difficult to make your decision between those men and myself—I don't think it's conceit to say this, and if it is, this isn't the time to think of anything like that—a man is said to bear the stamp of his life and character on his face. I don't know what impression I give to others, but I know what impression those two men gave me. Can't you read their faces? If you can't trust me, can you, at least, say honestly that you trust them?"

"But you—what are you—why?" she looked at him feverishly. "It isn't that. It isn't God, for God—I think you capable of—of what you told me about them. If it were simply a matter of choosing between yourself and them, I should put my trust in you without the smallest hesitation. But—Oh, I can't say any more. It's hopeless—I'm worse degradation than death to me, and yet I must keep up my strength and resolution—I must—"

The break-down came upon her like a lightning stroke. She seemed to crumple up; she sobbed desolately into her hands.

Lee moved to her side. "Do you know," he said, "we have to trust people in this life, even if they deceive us. It doesn't harm us to be betrayed." But he was thinking of Estelle as he spoke, and he wondered how far that was true. Estelle's betrayal had changed the whole setting of his life for him. "Trust me," he said.

"Let me help you. Tell me where you are going, and why, and what those men are to you."

It was a full half-minute before she took her hands from her face, but she did not reply. All that day they rode together. But not until they had pitched their tents again for the night, did she refer to the men who had threatened her.

"Will you be frank with me?" she asked. "Will you tell me what you are doing in the range?"

"I am not free to do so."

"And am I free? Is any one of us free?" she cried. "No, it's impossible. I must just go on and ask God to give me strength to bear it! Don't speak to me for a few moments—there, I'm sorry I made such a fool of myself!"

She smiled. "At any rate, we are going to acknowledge each other's

existence, aren't we?" she said. "And if you insist on riding with me—well, I can't help it. Only, I warn you, you are going into danger—grave danger. Those two men—I am afraid they may be planning to do you some injury."

"I don't think they are likely to try very hard," answered Lee.

"But—but others—" she whispered. "It is not only they!"

"You begged me to trust you. You said that you would do anything to serve and help me. Did you mean that?"

"Anything that is possible."

"Anything?" she persisted. "If it lies in my power."

"Then would you—would you kill a man for me? A human wolf, one of those devil creatures that does not deserve to live? Would you kill him to serve me?"

"No," answered Lee quietly.

She laughed in mocking scorn. "So I supposed," she answered. "You men, with your professions of loyalty and service—you're all the same when it comes to the test."

"I won't commit murder in cold blood and without provocation."

"No, of course not. You see, there might be just a little danger in it. He is very crafty, and your offer of service didn't include personal risk."

Lee's fingers closed on her arm. "That's not the way," he said. "One doesn't right wrongs with wrongs, or even up scores by murder. Tell me everything, and I pledge myself to see that whatever wrong you have suffered shall be redressed."

"Oh, I've heard that before, and when I put you to the test I found just what those words were worth."

She answered lightly. "No, please forget what I have just said to you. I didn't mean it, anyway. There is no such man as I spoke of. There couldn't be, for he would have been killed long ago. I was just wondering whether I was to take you seriously or not—and I found we were both playing a game. Good-night!"

She moved away abruptly and went into her tent.

And all that night he lay, hardly dozing, his automatic beside his hand, waiting and wondering.

CHAPTER IV

The Trap Is Sprung

In the morning she greeted him with a forced gaiety. She nodded and smiled when she came out of her tent.

"Well, we shall ride on together today, I suppose," she said. "I have told you that I do not desire your company, and that your enterprise is probably a dangerous one. You have taken the responsibility upon yourself. With the understanding, we go as companions instead of enemies. Is that so?"

And this time it was the girl who extended her hand. Lee took it and held it for a moment in his own.

"That's the understanding," he answered. "I intend to see you to your destination, wherever that is, and after that you need not be afraid of my troubling you any more."

"And as for yesterday," said the girl, "you will forget that I was a little hysterical and upset? You see, it is quite an ordeal, going on so long a journey, and I was tired and said foolish things that had no meaning in them at all."

She watched Lee's face closely as she said this. But he did not reply.

They mounted and continued the journey. It was about ten o'clock when they heard two or three full reverberations in the distance. The girl, who was riding a few yards ahead of Lee, reined in and stood her horse upon a tuff hillock, waiting for him to catch up with her.

"What was that?" she asked, looking at him with startled eyes.

"Dynamite," Lee responded.

"Dynamite? Why—how would—"

"Some prospector blasting rock on his claim, no doubt," answered Lee, and again there sounded a detonation.

She seemed to muse a moment or two. "It rather startled me," she said. "I have been afraid since those two men left us—afraid some harm may come to you from them. You will be on your guard, won't you?"

"Yes, I promise you that," Lee answered; and she fixed her eyes on his face with her peculiar scrutiny for a few moments, and then started her horse.

The afternoon began to wear away. They were slowly descending toward the northern pass of the range, beyond which lay the immense territories that they had seen. They began to traverse precarious defiles, overhanging by huge boulders, preside from the corrosion of the season. Underneath them, at the bottom of a long descent, in places nearly perpendicular, the torrent tumbled among the rocks.

It was so still upon those heights that the rush of the torrent far underneath them sounded thunderous; and the air was so calm, the sky so blue, that it might have been an Italian summer, rather than a Canadian autumn. An eagle, flitting motionless, high overhead, seemed to have been painted against the background of the blue void.

The girl reined in and waited for Lee to ride up to her.

"Be very careful with that horse of yours," he said. "There's a difficult bit a little distance ahead, but it's the

last, and then we'll have an easy journey down through the pass."

She started off again, Lee following some twenty paces behind her. But of a sudden Lee's horse balked, laid back his ears and snorted, planted his forefeet firmly and refused to move.

It was almost impossible to dismount and lead him, for at that point, the narrowest part of the trail, there was hardly standing room for man and beast together. Lee held in the animal with a tight rein, and parted his quivering flanks.

He could not understand what had alarmed it, but now some instinct, perhaps communicated from the bear's brain to his seemed to tell of danger threatening.

He glanced at the girl, and saw that she was almost across the danger zone. He dared not call to her, for fear of startling her. And, indeed, there was no reason to call, although that baseless instinct was now becoming so strong that it almost amounted to conviction.

He could not see the least cause for apprehension anywhere. His fears appeared absurd; and yet that electric message of warning went flashing back and forth between his mind and that of his frightened mount.

Then suddenly there came the roar of an explosion, muffled underground; the next the rocks over his head seemed to upheave. An enormous crack appeared in the face of the wall of solid rock, which trembled and appeared to move toward him, as if pushed by a gigantic hand; and before the reverberations had died away Lee heard a faint, crepitant sound, like the rustling of paper—the sliding of the interior strata, one upon another.

A little avalanche of stones dislodged from the surface, came rushing down the face of the cliff midway

between the girl and himself. Had Lee's horse not stopped, it must have been swept over the edge of the precipice.

Another roar, and a huge rock toppled and fell, this time behind, and smashed into a score of fragments which went rolling into the chasm below, waking a hundred reverberations among the hills.

And with that Lee understood the devilish scheme that was in the working. The dynamite which he had heard that afternoon was the preliminary work of the two men in preparing their trap; now they had set fuses among the rocks at the narrowest point of the trail, with the purpose of blowing him to destruction.

And it was a murder plan that would leave no evidence behind it, surer and safer than a rifle shot.

Another explosion; and between the sound of the dull roar and the upheaval, Lee, seeing the girl apparently going to urge her plunging animal back toward him, stood up in his stirrups and waved his hand frantically toward her.

"Go back! Go back!" he shouted. "But the girl seemed bewildered, and

only clung to her plunging, snorting beast, over which she had lost control, the while it pawed the air and danced desperately upon the narrow way.

Lee vaulted from his horse, struggled upon the edge of the precipice, regained his footing, and ran toward her. He caught at her horse's bridle. "Jump! Jump!" he shouted, holding out his arms.

And the few following seconds seemed to extend through all eternity. Another roar, and the whole face of the mountain wall appeared to crumple into a landslide. As in a helpless dream Lee saw the falling wall strike the girl's horse in the flank and sent it screaming into the chasm. And, as he vainly grasped at her an impact shot him over the precipice as if he had been hurled from the mouth of a cannon.

He felt himself hurtling into space, he grasped at emptiness and went tumbling far down into unconsciousness.

CHAPTER V

The Severed Strands

And the returning scene of consciousness was at first only the dim knowledge of pain, in terms of which he visualized existence.

That pain seemed to have existed from all eternity, filling all space and time. It usurped all the functions of the body. He was the nucleus of it, sprawling like an inert being at the heart of creation, and out of him pain radiated through the universe.

And then came sight—chaos of brown and green, fantastic mountains clothed with sparse, unbranching trees, earth's primitive creation, huge continents that he bestride, a Broddingnag of his species, solitary in the world.

Lee became aware that his eyes were open. And very slowly he grew aware of his own identity. He began looking about him.

Then he made the discovery that the mountains he had seen were boulders, the vegetation moss and grasses. He was lying upon the ground, with a great rock on either side of him, half-way down the gorge at the bottom of which the torrent coursed. Low scrub alder and other growth formed a sort of run-work over him, completely concealing him. Above this framework was a glimpse of the gray sky.

He began to remember things. He had been riding, had been thrown from his mount. The inspector had sent him to bring somebody in—Shelly, Kelly—Pelly! He must have encountered Pelly and have been shot. Pelly had been a fool not to finish the job. He must get after him again. And what had happened to his horse?

Now from where he lay he had a glimpse of the twin flanks, the stinging steel circles beneath the boots. His horse was lying lower down the slope, at the very edge of the rocks beside the torrent. Pelly must have shot his horse as well. Or perhaps it was only the horse, and Lee had been stunned by the fall.

The red rim of the sun was just dipping into the horizon and Lee remembered that when he had last seen it, it was midway in the western sky. But he had seen it from a cliff top.

With that the girl flashed into the picture. Lee saw her and her horse tottering down the ravine. He remembered his own fall, the landslide, the dynamite. Memory grew complete, the last links snapped into place. He realized that he had been flung from the heights above, and that by a miracle of luck his descent into the rock-strewn torrent had been arrested by the scrub growth which held him. Otherwise those rocks would have ground and battered him almost out of semblance to a man, or tossed him into the whirling torrent.

As it was, it was a miracle that he had survived the fall. Probably he was badly injured. He must count on broken limbs.

He tried to rise, and instantly the body screamed its protest. With immense difficulty he succeeded in getting upon his hands and knees. He flexed each of his limbs in turn. He felt his body and ribs, he patted himself all over.

It was incredible, but though every muscle in his body seemed twisted and he was aching and bruised from head to foot, no bones appeared to be broken.

Peering along the edge of the ravine, Lee saw the girl's horse lying a little distance away.

The effort to get upon his feet seemed to consume an incredible period of time. By the exercise of all his will Lee managed to keep his balance until the rocking earth had grown comparatively stable. Then, forcing his rebellious limbs and muscles into co-ordination, he staggered toward the girl's horse.

It was alive, but its back and limbs were broken, so that it was completely paralyzed. It looked at Lee as he approached out of its bright, pathetic



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CHAPTER V

Temporary Guests Had Got Busy With Labels

Young Mrs. X is a very fine housekeeper. Everything in her little apartment is immaculate. It was with some misgivings, therefore, that on going away for a couple of weeks with her husband she turned over the apartment to her collecting young brother and a bachelor friend. She was particularly proud of her bathroom, which had recently been done over, and as a hint to the boys she hung a piece of Turkish towel on the door with a tag attached which read: "This cloth is to be used for washing out the tub after you bathe."

Directly on returning home she made a tour of inspection, and here is what she found: Hanging on the bed in the guest chamber a card reading: "Life is what we make it. So is a bed. Please make this one."

"Above the washbowl in the bathroom," "This bowl is not for drinking purposes. You wash in it."

In glaring print over the tub: "This is a tub-to be used with water."

Placed on the bath gloves: "These are not for street wear."

On a tag tied to the nailbrush: "Be ware! This is not a toothbrush."

On a dish towel in the kitchen: "This is not a bath towel. Make no mistake in its use."

Over the washbowl: "This is not a patent bed. Don't try to sleep here."

—Boston Transcript.

Why "Z" Comes Last

The great ancestor of our letter "Z" was a drawing representing a duck. Such it was in Egyptian picture writing. The drawing was next modified to provide a symbol suitable for use in a running hand (the "hieratic" form), and later this form became, in the Phoenician and early Greek alphabets, crushed down and compacted until it became recognizably its present form. With the Phoenicians, Z was the seventh letter of the alphabet, and so it remained in the Greek and early Latin alphabets, but it was dropped from the Latin in the Third century B. C. Later, when the study of Greek became fashionable among the Romans, Z was restored, but it had lost its place in the Roman alphabet and had to fall in at the tail of the procession, where it still remains.

The first discovery of pure silver metal in the United States was made in Nevada in 1858.

Fifty-Fifty

Mrs. Lateleigh—Just remember, you can't get in late without my hearing you!

You'll get extra wear— from this live elastic rubber

THOUSANDS upon thousands of times—day in and day out—your boots are bent and wrinkled. It takes real live rubber to stand this constant wrinkling and still stay waterproof.

And that's just what the rubber in "U.S." Boots will do! No more live and elastic rubber has ever been used in boot construction.

Cut a strip of this rubber from a "U.S." Boot and you'd find it would stretch more than five times its length without breaking!

Anchored in this elastic rubber are layers of tough fabric reinforcements. Where the hardest strains come, there are as many as eleven separate layers of rubber and fabric.

They give to "U.S." Boots strength to stand the hardest knocks and strains.

"U.S." Boots wear longer because they're built to wear longer. It will pay you to ask for "U.S." and get the longest wear your money can buy.



Other "U.S." Rubber Footwear. You'll find every type of rubber footwear in the big "U.S." line. There's the "U.S." Walrus, the famous all-rubber overshoe—the "U.S." lace Bootie, an all-rubber workshoe—and "U.S." Rubbers and Arctics for every member of the family. Look for the "U.S." Trade-mark whenever you buy.

United States Rubber Company

"U.S." Boots

A gray sole "U.S." Boot—built for greatest comfort and longest possible wear.

Small Matter, Anyway

Judge—But what were you fighting with Horriam about?

Casey—Sure, I'm under oath, Yer Honor, so I don't care to do much guessin'—Legion Weekly.

DEMAND "BAYER" ASPIRIN

Take Tablets Without Fear. If You See the Safety "Bayer Cross."

Warning! Unless you see the name "Bayer" on package or on tablets you are not getting the genuine Bayer Aspirin proved safe by millions and prescribed by physicians for 23 years. Say "Bayer" when you buy Aspirin. Imitations may prove dangerous.—Adv.

The Only Home Body

"An old man in a house is a good sign," wrote Ben Franklin. Nowadays it is about the only sign of habitation that is usually visible.—Houston Post-Dispatch.

FAILURE TURNED INTO SUCCESS BY NECK TIE KING OF THE WORLD

(By Elmer M. Hill)

Failure has been turned into success by Eugene P. Beaumont of Buffalo, N. Y.

A little more than two years ago Beaumont was penniless, his little upstairs waist shop on a side street failed when women's styles, fickle as they are, changed and waists gave way to tunics, the one-piece frock and the costume ensemble.

Although badly in debt, Beaumont had courage and vision. With \$200 borrowed capital he started into the mail order sale of men's neckwear from the kitchen of his little home. Without funds with which to buy envelopes, he and his wife made them from wrapping paper. He could not rent a second hand typewriter so the mail was addressed by hand.

Today—a little more than two years later—Eugene P. Beaumont is head of the Tie-Art Inc., of Buffalo, N. Y., with an annual business in excess of \$1,500,000 and is the world's largest retail distributor of men's neckwear with the title of Neck Tie King. He is the largest parcel post shipper at the Buffalo postoffice with a monthly postage bill of more than \$65,000.

Fourteen neckwear mills are working night and day shifts supplying the demands of Mr. Beaumont and in addition he takes almost the entire output of a garter factory, suspender mill, a handkerchief factory, two hosiery mills and a belt factory with sales running into the millions of articles annually.

Did you ever get four neckties by mail on approval?

The chances are that you have because Mr. Beaumont has sold neckwear to more than 1,500,000 men in the United States from Maine to California and from the Canadian border to the Gulf of Mexico. Upwards of 200 typists and clerks are employed in the Beaumont plant.

From the kitchen of his home, Mr. Beaumont has been enlarging his plant from time to time in the last year so that today he occupies a



EUGENE P. BEAUMONT

large part of one of the largest buildings in Buffalo. His weekly deposits are in excess of \$35,000, 99 per cent of the checks and money orders being for amounts less than \$2.

"Give the people what they want, when they want it, at the price they want to pay." That is the slogan of Eugene P. Beaumont. That is the slogan that has made him Neck Tie King of the World with weekly sales of more than 33,000 dozen ties or approximately 400,000 individual ties. He sold more than 3,000,000 ties last year and his goal for this year is 10,000,000 ties.

This tremendous volume of business built up through night and day work by Mr. Beaumont in a little more than two years is not little, he says. He points to the fact that what he has done can be duplicated by any individual who gives honest values. The Neck Tie King has found American men are honest, for his losses, although shipments run into millions, are less than two per cent.

MY FAVORITE STORIES

By IRVIN S. COBB

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What Aunt Myra Desired

They brought a dinky out of the jail in a North Carolina town with intent to hang him for murder. This was in the day when capital punishment was publicly inflicted. As a special mark of attention the widow of the murderer's victim was permitted to witness the event from a position of vantage directly facing the gallows. She had had a sort of small grandstand rigged up and she had decorated it with bunting, and when the march to the scaffold started, there she sat in a white mother-hubard wrapper, gently agitating a palmetto fan, flanked and surrounded by relatives, invited friends and sister members of her lodge.

The preliminaries went forward according to the ritual. When the condemned had been properly trussed up, with the noose dangling about his neck, the sheriff, holding the black cap in his hand, edged up to him and said:

"Well, Jim, we're about ready. If you've got anything to say, I reckon this would be a mighty good time to say it."

"Yes, suh," said the doomed. "I has got sump'n to say. I jest wants to say dat I is fully repented fur whut I done. I taken it to de Lawd in prayer an' I knows it's all right wid Him. I ast de Judge wh'ch tried and de persecutin' attorney, an' de foreman of de jury ef they bore me any grudge, wh'ch one and all, they said they did not. An' now I kin go right straight to hebbin an' nestle in de bosom of Father Abraham ef only I kin git de forgiveness of dat nigger lady sittin' yonder—de wife of de man I kil't."

He lifted his voice, addressing the white-clad figure in front of him:

"Lady," he entreated, "does you forgive me fur shootin' yore husband six times wid a forty-fur caliber revolver?"

Excepting that her under lip jutted out a trifle farther than there was no sign she had heard him. She calmly fanned on.

The darky on the scaffold tried again:

"Lady," he pleaded, "for de decent time I axes you, ain't you, please ma'am, gwine forgive me?"

Still from her there was no response. It was as though she had not heard him. The sympathetic sheriff felt moved to add his intercession:

"Aunt Myra," he called, "Jim, here, will be givin' away from us in a minute and we don't expect him back. Surely you don't entertain any hard feelin' against him now? Won't you speak to him and let him go in peace?"

This time the obdurate widow shook her head in an emphatic negative. Yet still she uttered no sound. The sheriff turned to the condemned:

"Jim," he said, "you see how it is; that old woman is set in her ways. Whar's the use of wastin' any more time on her? Besides, it's not as the devil out here and I ought to be gettin' on home to dinner. Just hold still a second and we can have this all over."

"Mr. Lucas," sobbed Jim, "I membe see ef I will can't soften dat nigger woman's stony heart. Lady," he cried out, "wid mounty nigh my dyin' here I begs you fur jest a word. I ain't hopin' no mo' dat you'll forgive me, but won't you please, ma'am, jest speak to me an' tell me whar's in yore soul?"

And now she did speak. She motioned with her fan as though it had been a baton of authority, and in impatient tones she said:

"Go on, nigger, git hung—git hung!"

And Worth the Money Tool

A noted lawyer down in Texas, who labored under the defects of having a high temper and of being deaf, was trying a case in a courtroom presided over by a younger man, for whom the older practitioner had a small opinion.

Presently in an argument over a motion there was a clash between the lawyer and the judge. The judge ordered the lawyer to sit down, and as the lawyer, being deaf, didn't hear him and went on talking the judge fined him \$10 for contempt of court.

The lawyer leaned toward the clerk and cupped his hand behind his ear.

"What did he say?" he inquired.

"He fined you \$10," explained the clerk.

"For what?"

"For contempt of this court," said the clerk.

The lawyer shot a poisonous look toward the bench and reached a hand into his pocket.

"I'll pay it now," he said. "It's a just deb't!"

Advice to Charlie Chaplin

Last spring when General Neville, the hero of the defense of Verdun, was making his tour of America he was the guest of honor at a big public reception in one of the Los Angeles hotels. Among those invited to meet the distinguished visitor, were the more prominent members of the moving-picture colony.

At the doors of General Neville's suite Will Rogers met Charlie Chaplin. Chaplin, who in private life is a reserved and rather shy little man, was considerably fussed up over the prospect ahead of him.

"I suppose we're expected to say a few words to the general," he confided to Rogers. "But for the life of me I can't think of the best way to start the conversation."

Rogers gave to the problem a moment of earnest consideration.

"Well," he said, "you might ask him if he was in the war, and which side he was on."

It All Depends

"My dear," asked the dreamy young wife, "do you believe that in the end right must always win?"

"No," yawned her husband from behind the sporting page. "Sometimes a left jab puts them to sleep in the first round."—American Legion Weekly.

Water Pipes of Wood

Wood stave pipes will be used in the laying of 4,000 feet of public water mains in South Devon, Canada.

THE AMERICAN LEGION

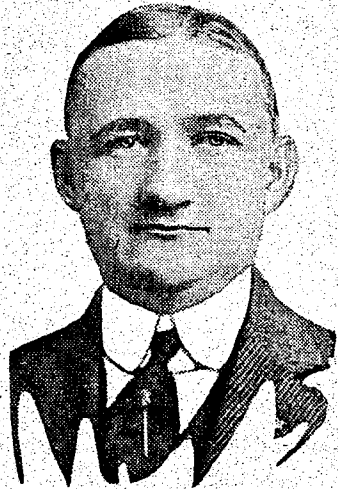
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COLORADO'S TYPE OF SOLDIER BOYS

John Charles Vivian, attorney of Golden, Colo., now commander of the Colorado department of the American Legion, got tired of governmental red tape during the war. He decided to do a little unraveling himself. He had been under consideration for a commission as major in the judge advocate's department. But the matter hung fire. The commission did not come.

So one day he enlisted as a private in the marines. On the same day that he closed up his law books, his younger brother, Chauncey H. Vivian, then editor of the Boulder (Colo.) News-Herald, dropped the editorial shears, jabbed the brush into the paste-pot and enlisted also—as a private in the marines.

The brothers served together, the younger brother as a private in the squad of which the older was corporal.



John Charles Vivian.

They were discharged together. Later on they were during the same year commander of their respective posts of the Legion.

The new department commander has been chairman of various departmental committees. He has been alternate national executive committee member for Colorado and chairman of the rehabilitation committee for District 11.

Mr. Vivian, who was born at Golden in 1887, was a newspaper reporter while he was studying in the University of Colorado from 1906 to 1911. Then he became state editor of the Denver Times in 1911-1912. He received the degree of Bachelor of Laws from the University of Denver in 1913.

Since his graduation he has held various civil offices. He was special counsel to the city attorney of Denver in 1913-1914. He was federal food administrator for Jefferson county in 1918. He later became city attorney of Golden and county attorney of Jefferson county.

Will Seek Amendment to Compensation Act

Declaring that the provision of the adjusted compensation act is unjust which requires a wife, child or parent of a deceased veteran to show dependency at the time of the veteran's death in order to collect the compensation in case the soldier had not filed application for insurance, officials of the Wisconsin department of the American Legion will launch a campaign to have the law amended.

Under the present law, if a veteran dies before filing a claim for insurance, only a wife, child or parent can collect in the order named and the claimants are required to show that they were dependent upon the veteran at the time of his death. Efforts will be made to have the law changed so that the three classes of claimants can collect regardless of dependency.

Not a Kick!

"I just stopped in to tell you," began the man at the complaint desk of the gas company. "That my gas stove blew up yesterday."

"Tell your troubles to a plumber," growled the surly clerk. "That's no fault of ours—you got no kick here."

"Oh, I'm not kicking," he replied the customer cheerfully, as he opened the door. "Only I thought I'd tell you that your blamed old snot meter back-fired at the same time, and I haven't been doing anything but pick up silver quarters all over the cellar ever since. Good day!"—American Legion Weekly.

Cleaning Up the Mess

Brown, during the absence of his wife, was giving a stag party. Bottles, dishes and cigar butts were scattered about in profusion. At the height of the revelry Brown was called to the door, and came back with a telegram in his hand.

"Boys," he cried in consternation, "It's from my wife. She'll be home in an hour. What'll we do?"

There was a moment of stunned silence and then Smith jumped up.

"I have it!" he shouted. "Let's burn the house down!"—American Legion Weekly.

Havana, Cuba, Post Active

The membership roster of Havana post of the American Legion, Cuba, shows an ambassador, a general agent for a famous steel company, a superintendent of a railroad and many other executives. The post has a membership of more than 200 although many of the former service men in the community are itinerants, in Cuba only from six months to a year. The membership committee is always on the job to grab all service men when they light in Havana and manages always to keep the membership around 200.

Washington to Have Big Athletic Club

Washington will have an athletic club fashioned somewhat along the lines of the famous National Sporting club of London, England, if the plans of a number of business men in Washington materialize. While the proposition is not carefully worked out as yet it is known that interests have been looking for a site for the club as well as for a number of men to become interested in the organization.

Interest in boxing, wrestling, basketball and other indoor sports events has prompted a small gathering of men to look over the field with the idea of chartering an athletic club, getting a healthy membership and then putting the idea across.

MUNN'S WIFE MADE HIM USE HIS PLAY

Spouse of Wrestler Advised Him to Take Up Athletics.

An indomitable preference for play over business and the sanctioning of his four-foot-two-inch wife led Wayne ("Big") Munn to thrust his eighth of a ton of massiveness into professional competition and wrestle his way to a world championship after 50 mat contests.

The conqueror of Ed ("Strangler") Lewis told of his metamorphosis from a Sioux City (Iowa) oil salesman to professional pugilist and then champion wrestler.

In 1919, after Munn returned from military service, he embarked in the business of representing an oil refining company, but the desire for play, instead of grinding his nose on the business stone, was too great. In his University of Nebraska days he had revelled in playing football, basketball and track and field sports and was "blum daffy," as he expressed it, about wrestling.

"That's where my wife comes in," Munn said. "She counseled in this way: 'Well, if you like athletics better than you do business, get yourself a job in athletics. You can't do both—play when you are supposed to work.'"

"What she advised was the truth. Whenever there was a basketball game or a football game anywhere near Sioux City I was off to compete, instead of attending to business. Finally, taking her advice, I quit business and went in for athletics."

Munn refused to admit it was his wife who advised him to take up a career as a boxer. The records say Munn, in the ring's language, was a "flop" as a fighter. In his very first professional engagement he was knocked out by a third-rater. When his dizzy brain ceased swimming Munn automatically decided fighting was no business for him.

Wrestling has not been financially remunerative and Munn is starting his championship reign "flat broke."

"The wrestling king put it this way: 'I never felt better, but I never had less.'"

After taking up professional wrestling he was a preliminary performer until his big shot came when he engaged Lewis in Kansas City. The gate nearly hit the \$40,000 mark, but Munn's share, after paying training expenses, wrestling partners, splitting with his manager and what not, was reduced to a small roll with no crinkling fifties or hundreds in the middle.

New Nebraska Coach



Photograph of Ernest E. Bearg, assistant football coach at the University of Illinois, who was unanimously elected head football coach at the University of Nebraska. The new Husker coach is a product of Severance, Kans., and starred at Washburn college, where he was coach in 1918.

Colgate Stars Play Ball

Abe Herman, former Colgate infielder and later signed by the Boston Braves, has been signed by the Worcester club of the Eastern league to the Albany club of the same league for a reported sum of \$3,800. Herman is the fourth member of the 1922 Colgate team to enter the ranks of professional baseball. Clinton Blume, former Giant pitcher; Everett Barnes, left-handed first baseman with the Pirates, and Dewey Steffen, who played baseball at second base for the York team of the New York-Pennsylvania league last year, are the others.

Whitney Makes Big Entry

Harry Payne Whitney of New York, with 15 entries, has the largest number of candidates entered for the rich 1925 Breeders' Futurity, which will be raced at the historic Kentucky association track at Lexington this fall.

Two other New Yorkers, W. R. Coe and Harry F. Sinclair, of the Ramocas stable, are subscribed in the list with 14 each. In all, 283 eligible thoroughbreds have been entered for the classic.

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One of the results of modern civilization is that men are growing more handsome. No lesser authority than the conservator of the Museum of the Royal College of Surgeons, in London, is responsible for this graceful compliment. He is supported in his assertion by the man who compiled photographic records of the nation's most famous men for the national photographic gallery. It appears that modern man does not use his jaws so much as his forebears and that the change in the bony framework of the face is making it narrower and more refined. The virile beauty of the square jaw has been the subject of song and story. More recently the movie shell has been accepted as the high point of masculine perfectibility in looks. Both displaced Jupiter, Ammon and Apollo. "Handsome-man" votes have never proved quite satisfactory. How, then, are we to tell whether or not men are becoming more handsome?

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"Howdy, Gap!" shouted Gabe Giggery from his front porch, addressing an acquaintance who was driving by in his wagon. "How're you coming on since that fall you had?"

"Whoo—putt—whoo!" returned Gap Johnson of Kumpus Ridge.

"I asked you, how're you coming on, since your fall?"

"Aw, I can sorter hobble around on crutches, but I ain't climbing no more roofs to help no d—n cats outer trouble."—Kansas City Star.

Landlords in the Netherlands are permitted to charge 50 per cent more than was payable at the beginning of 1918.

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Brown—Yes, sir. Speaking of strong men, I once saw a fellow hold up an auto with five men in it.

Green—Say, he must have been in a circus.

Brown—No, he's in the pen. The judge gave him ten years for it.

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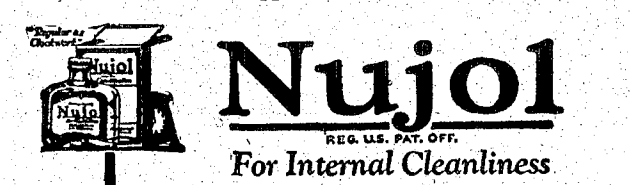
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1925

PARAGRAPHS CONCERNING MICHIGAN

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 26—The auditor general's department has collected \$1,090,000 in delinquent taxes for 1924. This is about \$300,000 less than for the previous year.

The state owns, for highway construction purposes, 12 complete paving outfits, a complete industrial layout including 20 miles of narrow gauge track, 16 flat cars, 450 cars with batch boxes and 25 gasoline locomotives. It has a portable sawmill for use in cutting ties, bridge supports and other lumber used in road work. There are many portable buildings, bath houses, repair shops, lighting plants, water tanks and kitchens. The department is so organized it can build 100 miles of concrete pavement each year as well as 15 to 20 miles of asphalt as well as constructing five or six bridges.

Chippewa county has been deeded the \$90,000 property near Sault Ste. Marie from the Dunbar family of Cleveland, former Michigan residents. This property, consisting of 560 acres of cleared and wild land, and good buildings, was used as a forestry school prior to the war. It will again be used as such and about 40 students are assured the school this year.

Grand Rapids police last year checked up on 22,037 parking law violations. Convictions for drunken driving more than doubled over the previous year. A total of \$62,135 was collected in fines for traffic violations.

Completed traffic census reports in the Thumb district show that at the 49 points the count was taken there was an increase of traffic of 38 per cent over 1923. State highway engineers declare this indicates that the district in the Thumb must increase the number of roads or widen the existing one.

There are about 12 passenger cars traveling Michigan roads to one commercial vehicle while five and seven passenger cars outnumber the two passenger cars by about four to one.

The Dixie Highway system is said by Judge Phil T. Colgrove of Hastings to be about 5,786 miles long. The Western Division extends from Sault Ste. Marie to Marco, Fla., 2,107 miles. A considerable number of other Michigan roads are in the Dixie Highway system as are roads in adjacent and neighboring states.

The Ford interests now have four vessels operating in connection with their land enterprises. Two of the vessels were assigned to ocean travel during the winter months.

Michigan ranks first among the states east of the Mississippi, both in total acreage grown and in increased acreage during recent years. Wolverine farmers grew 338,000 acres of alfalfa in 1923 as against 155,000 acres for Wisconsin, the second state in total acreage. Since 1919 the state of Michigan has gained 375 per cent in alfalfa acreage.

At the recent International Hay and Grain show in Chicago Michigan growers scored 137 prizes, according to the survey made by H. C. Rather of M. A. C.

Per capita wealth in Lansing real and personal property has increased from \$475 in 1910 to \$1,705 in 1924.

The Mt. Clemens Sugar Company's plant has turned out more than 3,000 tons of beet sugar during the last season's run.

Detroit boasts that it leads the cities of the country in the amount of life insurance purchased last year. The amount increased 12 per cent over the previous year. No figures of the total insurance in dollars is obtainable.

Let Steam Escape

After filling a rubber water bottle with hot water always press the slides before putting in the stopper. This expels the steam, and there is little danger of the seams coming undone, no matter how hot the water may be.

of Albert Lewis. A fine supper, followed with games and a general good time given by the Bible class. Net proceeds were about \$18.00.

Mrs. Raymond Murphy is happy over the birth of a daughter Feb. 10. Walter Wheeler, who has been sick is out again.

Since our walks have so icy pride has gone before a good many falls. No one hurt seriously.

John Parsons has manufactured a furnace out of his big stove, and planted it in the basement, which gives him a great deal more room in his store. If you want any new ideas call on John.

Mr. Cone, who has had pneumonia is convalescent now.

Any one doubting the qualification of Mrs. O'Dell's ability to make fine sawdust pie, just ask Harry Horton, Albert Lewis and other. But as pine lumber is high in price, so is pie.

G.—H.—S. "PEP"

SCHOOL NOTES

EDITORS: Maude Taylor, Cora King, Astrid Ahman, Eva Hendrickson.

Miss Harris: "What is the President's oath?"
Edna L.: "I do hereby solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the president of the United States."

Miss Sharpe: "Why did America lose so much time in entering the war, Edward?"
Edward B.: (coming to suddenly) "Not prepared, Miss Sharpe."
Miss Sharpe: "Exactly."

Some people wash their faces Every morning in the week; I use a drinking fountain And do it while I drink.

Louise S.: "You say that you flunked in French? Why I can't understand it."
Lucinda C.: "Same here. That's why I flunked."

Miss Thomas: "Can you use 'Insulate' in a sentence?"
Caroline H.: "Sure, I got insulated last night that I didn't get to bed until morning."

Miss Fox: "Ernest, why weren't you in class yesterday?"
Ernest H.: "I have an excuse, Mam."
Miss Fox: "Yes, I know. I've seen her."

Mr. Smith is attending the National Educational association meeting in Cincinnati.

Some of the High school students are again getting careless about being tardy. Let's all work for a 100% record.

Mr. Bates and Mr. Kraus visited the school; also some classes.

Miss Meyers was called home last Friday, owing to the illness of her mother.

Mr. Burnham: "Is carbon a bleacher?"

John B.: "No. Neither is a grandstand."

Miss Hainline: "Why is there so much electricity in my hair?"

Miss Shankel: "Probably because it is next to a dry cell."

The 6 B are making maps of the United States products for geography, and Health posters for hygiene.

There are 41 pupils in the first grade and all are present.

The 6 B, in Miss Thayer's room, have finished reading "The Barefoot Boy" and are making posters on it.

The Senior class held a meeting last week and selected their class colors, motto and flower.

Neither absent nor tardy during February from the third grade. Kenneth Hoelsi, Emil Kraus, Celina Lovely Elaine McDowell, Joyce Smith, and Robert Sorenson.

Miss Turcott: "How can I make my hair look fluffy without curling it?"

Miss Sprague: "Take deep breaths and instead of expelling air thru your nose, let it pass out thru the top of your head."

Miss Jury: "Should one use the word 'Bug-House'?"

Miss Thomas: "By all means refrain from vulgarity, use the term insect-garage."

Mr. Smith: "What makes those red marks on your nose?"

Edgar D.: "Glasses."

Mr. Smith: "Glasses of what?"

Some very interesting games of basket ball have been played among the different classes or grades.

The freshmen and the sixth grade "Cubs" were the first to play. This was a very exciting game, the score being 10-11 in favor of the "Freshies."

This game was played Thursday at 3:20.

The next game was played Thursday at 4:30 between the Juniors and the 7th grade. The score was 23-8 in favor of the Juniors.

Friday afternoon at 3:20 the Sophomores challenged the Seniors and won by a score of 23-8.

Friday at 4:30 the Freshmen played the Juniors in another exciting game, and it was a question as to which team the victory would go, but when the game ended the score was 10-11 in favor of the Juniors. Matt Bidvia scored 10 of the 11 points.

Saturday at 10:00 the "Sophs" and the 8th grade teams played, the 8th grade winning 10-4.

The last game for the boys team was played Saturday at 7:30, the Juniors challenging the 8th graders. The score of the game was 17-20 in favor of the 8th grade, who proved to have the best team. The girls games are being played this week.

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Credit Given to Monks

Luhke's "History of Art" says that the Gothic style was introduced into Italy by Cistercian monks from Burgundy.

NEWS DISPATCHES FROM EVERYWHERE

Officer Captures Five Bandits Single Handed and Recovers Loot

South Bend, Ind.—After a desperate battle in which he was severely wounded, Constable Elias Ackley of New Carlisle, finally wounded and captured five bank bandits who had held up and robbed the bank at Millburg, Mich., of \$62,900 in cash and securities. He held the entire band prisoners in a barn for half an hour before aid arrived.

As the bandits drove into New Carlisle, Constable Ackley, who had been notified to be on the lookout, and Special Deputy Oscar Smith followed them out of town. They overtook the bandits, who then opened fire, wounding Ackley in the groin.

The men abandoned the car and ran for a barn. Ackley sent Smith for aid while he kept firing at the door of the barn. Finally four of the men staggered out wounded, the fifth being too badly hurt to move.

Aid from town arrived and the five were taken into custody. All of the loot was recovered.

Gen. Wood's Son Disappears

Paris—Osborne C. Wood, son of Maj. General Leonard Wood, governor-general of the Philippines, has disappeared from his hotel here, leaving some unpaid bills. Wood, whose sensational winnings in Wall Street while he was in the American Army with his father at Manila aroused international attention, did not fare so well when he quit the army and came here. He tried to beat the gambling games at the fashionable casinos of the continent and lost large sums, he admitted at the time.

Rotor Ship A Success

Grangemouth, Scotland—The Buckau, the new type rotor ship, dropped anchor here after completing her difficult trial voyage across the North Sea from Hamburg, Germany, in three and one-half days. Her average speed over the total distance of approximately 550 sea miles, with combined rotor and motor power, was seven knots an hour. In view of the heavy seas encountered all the way and the severe northerly winds of the past two days this is considered a creditable performance.

Airplanes Bring Relief

Berne—Corned beef and hard tack dropped from airplanes in daily flight over the Alps saved the lives of three Swiss Alpinists who were marooned for eight days by storm in the Martelli shelter hut on top of the Bernina Mountains. They have arrived safely at Montresina. This is the first time aviation has been brought into play in Alpine relief work.

U. S. Ship Seized

Shanghai—An American upper Yangtze steamer has been seized by the Chinese military authorities. Kweichow, Szechuen province, according to a message received here from Ichang, an upper Yangtze port. The captain of the vessel was arrested and the American passengers on board are being detained, the message said.

Soldiers Killed in Car Crash

Manila—Lieutenant Colonel R. E. Herring, Major John H. Hunter and three enlisted men of the coast artillery, were killed and Lieutenant F. L. Hayden and ten enlisted men injured when a trolley car jumped the track en route from the top of Corrigador Island, entrance to Manila bay, to the boat landing.

Klan Founder Injured

Gainesville, Ga.—Col. William J. Simmons, founder and former imperial wizard of Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, sustained what were considered fatal injuries in an automobile accident. Capt. M. A. Moore, of Houston, Tex., with Col. Simmons when their car overturned, also was a victim.

Finland Elects President

Helsingfors—Dr. L. K. Relander, governor of the province of Viborg, has been chosen president of Finland by the electoral college. He received 172 votes against 109 for Risto Rytö. Dr. Relander is 42 years old, an agrarian leader, former speaker of Parliament and will take office March 1.

Plan Shipping Combine

New York—J. J. Jones, New York representative of the Morse Dry Dock and Repair company, has announced that preliminary steps had been taken to organize a \$5,000,000 corporation to purchase the United States shipping board's entire fleet of more than 400 idle lake-type ships.

Land Sinks Into Lake

Neustettin, Germany—A promontory projecting into Lake Pleiburg and covering one and a quarter acres has suddenly disappeared. The cause is unknown. The promontory was covered by trees from 15 to 20 feet high. Measurements show it dropped 30 to 40 feet.

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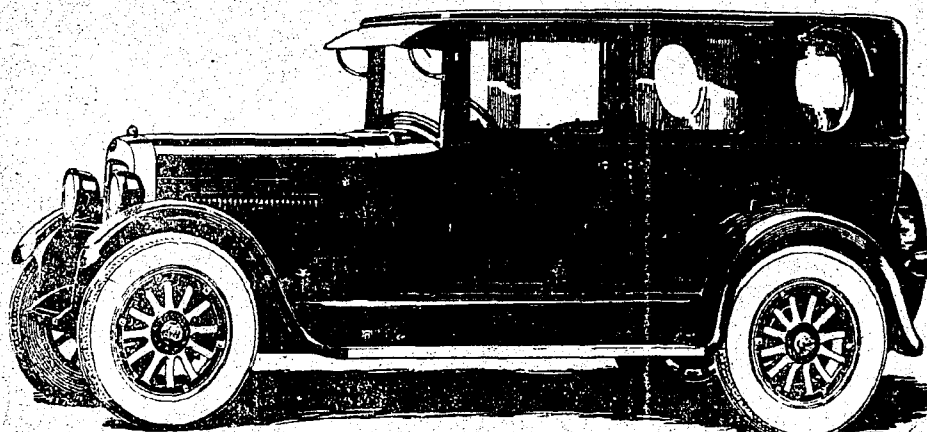
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Wirt S. Scott, manager of the industrial heating department of the Westinghouse company, reports great progress in solving the problems of heating houses by electricity in a practical manner.

"When that time comes, the days of struggling with the furnace will be over, and the householder will not need to give his heating system a single thought," says Mr. Scott, referring to latest inventions.

A reliable authority says there is already 1,250,000 kilowatts of electrical heating apparatus employed by American industries, from bakeries to glue factories and enamelling automobile bodies.

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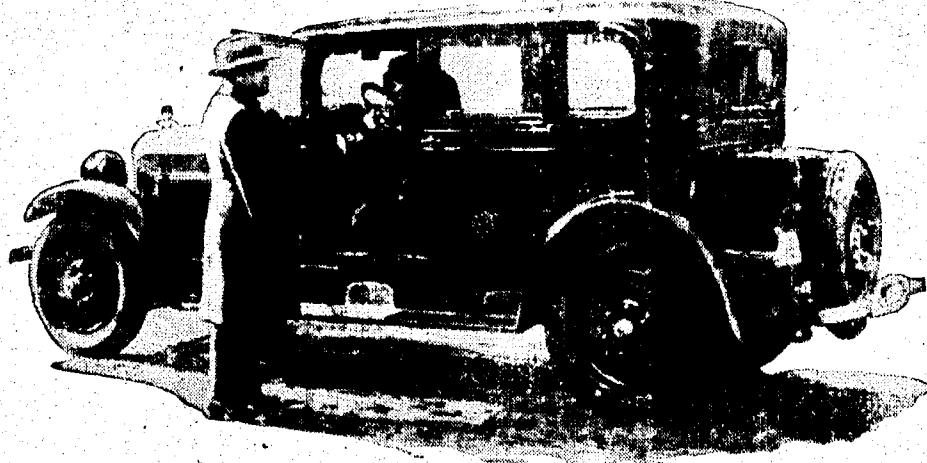
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Locals

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1925

Fresh cream daily. Phone 126. Roberts Market.

C. M. Schwartz of Bay City was a business caller in Grayling Monday.

Fr. Joseph Culligan was in Bay City Monday on business, returning Tuesday.

James Bowen who is employed in Detroit spent the week end at his home here.

Mrs. George Willis of Flint is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Chamberlin.

Miss Ruth Gregory, kindergarten teacher, spent Sunday with friends in Turner, Mich.

George Mayo and family have gone to Flint to reside, leaving the latter part of last week.

There will be a regular meeting of Grayling Chapter O. E. S. No. 83 on Wednesday, March 4th.

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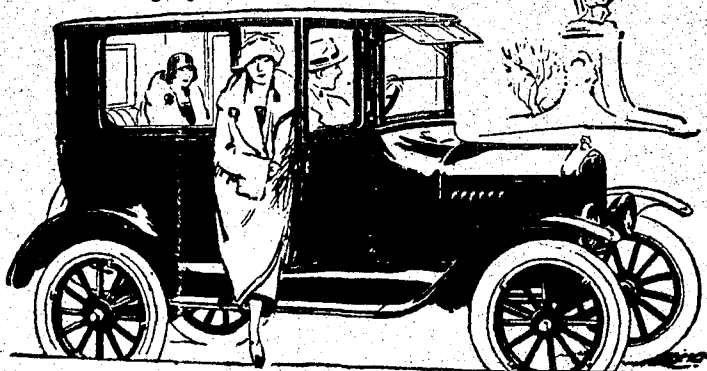
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When you think of shoes think of Olson's Shoe Store.

Miss Luella Meyers was called to her home in Shepherd Saturday by the illness of her mother. Miss Meyers spent the week end previous at her home in Shepherd.

Get fresh rolls, bread, pie and cake at the bake sale to be given Saturday under the auspices of the Altar society of St. Mary's church at the former Goudrow shoe store.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Parker of Lansing were called to Grayling owing to the illness of the latter's mother Mrs. George R. Howell. They returned Tuesday leaving Mrs. Howell much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sherman entertained the former's mother Mrs. Nettie Sherman of Maple Forest for a few days the latter part of the week.

W. W. Lewis spent the week end at his home in Lansing.

We were misinformed last week in regard to the item saying that Herbert Smith was called to his home in Milford by the death of his father. He was called to that city owing to his father's serious illness.

In a recent issue was an item telling of Frank D. Phelps of Hudson presenting a bible to the Michelson Memorial church in memory of his father S. S. Phelps Sr. Mrs. Etta Phelps of Ortonville, was also one of the donors.

Archie Lozon of Maple Forest who lost his home by fire a few weeks ago has material all upon the ground ready to rebuild just as soon as the frost is out of the ground. He hopes to have his new home ready by April 1st.

Mrs. W. M. Kuster and son Russell attended the funeral of a brother-in-law of Mrs. Kuster, Gus Kerkau at Caro last week. Mr. Kerkau, who was formerly employed for the M. C. R. R. was well known along the Mackinaw division.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Craven motored down from Frederic Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Justin of the same place were also in town returning with Mr. Craven. Mr. Justin had been a patient at Mercy hospital having had some of the finger of his right hand badly cut.

Buy your shoes at Olson's and save the difference.

A miscellaneous shower was held at the home of Mrs. Gerald Blaine last Tuesday evening for Mrs. Elmer Simpson. There were about fifty present, and she received many useful gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson lost their home and all its contents by fire near Moorestown about two weeks ago.

Fishing thru the ice at Lake Margrethe, School Section lake and the Electric Light pond continues to be fine. Everyone returns with good catches. One fisherman came in with a catch of 23 pike Sunday afternoon, weighing from four to nine pounds each. Many families about town enjoyed fine pike dinners the following days.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schumann and Mr. and Mrs. George Alexander entertained the ladies and gentlemen of the Bridge Club at dinner Saturday evening. The decorations were carried out in George Washington style.

In the center of each table was a red candle covered with a red, white and blue shade. In the evening six tables were filled for bridge, Mrs. C. R. Keyport and A. E. Mason holding the highest scores.

The Board of Trade Party held last Monday evening was a great success. Schram's Ramblers played with lots of pep and snap and a nice lunch was served by Bill Cody. About 40 couples were dancing and the whole party reminded us of the good old Social club affairs. The Board wants new members and for anybody who likes dancing, parties like these are worth the price of membership fees. A date was talked of at the dance and the next party will be in about two weeks.

A new appliance has been added to Olson's modern shoe repairing machinery, that removes all the old stitches from the welt before the new sole is sewed on.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. David Malenfant yesterday, a daughter.

Miss Helen Ziebell left Thursday for Detroit to remain indefinitely. Fresh cream daily. Phone 126. Roberts Market.

Mrs. Ben Landsberg and daughter Lillian visited in West Branch over Sunday.

Mrs. H. A. Bauman is visiting her daughter Mrs. Routier and family in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter LaMotte are happy over the birth of a son on February 20.

Alfred Hanson made a business trip to Bay City Saturday by motor, leaving his car there to have it repaired.

Guy Richardson, surveyor, who has been in Lansing for several weeks has returned to Grayling and is again at the Military reservation.

Supt. B. E. Smith was in attendance at the annual meeting of the National Teachers association that was being held in Cincinnati first of this week. He will return today.

Beverly Hope Schaible is celebrating her ninth birthday, and again this year she was the happy recipient of a beautiful birthday cake that came by parcel post from Mrs. Wilbur Jarvis of Lansing.

Miss Grace Bauman left Grayling Saturday to join a group of girl friends, former classmates at Knox College, and together they sailed from New York City Wednesday for a six weeks visit in the West Indies.

John Conklin played host to 26 of his friends last Monday afternoon from three to six o'clock in honor of his twelfth birthday anniversary. The boys and girls had a jolly time and Mrs. Conklin served a delicious lunch. John's birthday falls on the 22nd the same as that of our first president and so favors of caps trimmed with the national colors were presented each guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilbur were surprised Friday evening on their wedding anniversary when twenty five friends came to their home unexpectedly in honor of the occasion. The evening was enjoyed playing pedro after which refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur were presented with a beautiful gift from their friends.

Miss Joyce Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Smith, was hostess to ten of her friends Monday afternoon. She was nine years old on that day. After enjoying the afternoon playing games, Mrs. Smith served refreshments to the girls. Washington decorations and favors were used which made the party more enjoyable. Miss Joyce received many pretty gifts from her friends.

The home of Marlin Maxwell was saddened yesterday morning when at four o'clock their oldest child David, age 2 years and 4 months passed away after a week's illness of pneumonia. His death came as a shock to his parents, who are deeply grieved over their loss. The little tot will be sadly missed from the home circle as he was a favorite with all who knew him. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon.

Mayer's cushion sole work shoes at Olson's.

The streets looked pretty Monday with American flags afloat in memory of George Washington. The members of Grayling Post American Legion take orders for these flags and at present are taking orders for delivery for Decoration day. These cost \$1.85 installed. Any residence owner or others who wish one of these flags may give their order to any one of the members of the Post.

The N. L. V. S. held a social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Yoder Wednesday evening. There were fifty five present. The evening was enjoyed playing pedro and pin-shie in which Mrs. Emory Craft and Mrs. Chris Jensen received the first and second prize. Geo. A. Collins and Milo Nielsen received the men's prizes. Milo Nielsen was the winner of the prize package. Refreshments were served after the games.

Messrs. Alfred Hanson and Will Hemmingson motored to Gaylord Tuesday night in "Bill's" Ford, and attended the dancing party given by the American Legion of that city. Gaylord people recently gave the Legion a building and they were giving their opening party after having renovated the place and making some needed repairs. Altho the boys entertained some snow banks on the trip, they made fairly good time and report a fine time at the party.

Mrs. B. H. Pool has accepted a position as supervisor of surgery in the South department of University hospital, Ann Arbor, and has already begun her service. Dr. Pool, as stated in a former issue, will be connected with the hospital staff, which position will also enable him to take up some special research work at the University. Later, according to his present plans, he will become connected with the Dr. Mayo surgical staff at Rochester, Minn. Their address for the present is "South Dept., University hospital, Ann Arbor."

The latest in hair dressing, at the Vanity Box. Ruth McConnell, Burke Apartments, phone 1121 for appointments.

Bring your Prescriptions to us and you will get exactly what the Doctor ordered at a reasonable price. Central Drug Store.

NOTICE.

Auto owners are hereby notified that they have until March 1st to secure licenses. Also I urge that you see to it that when driving at night that both headlights and tail light are lit. J. E. Bobenmoyer, Sheriff.

WAGE EARNERS COLLECTING DIVIDENDS.

A marked difference is seen in the class of people now holding the securities of our great corporations and the holders of such securities a few years ago.

In 1917 dividends collected by wage earners amounted to but 9.5 per cent of the total. In 1918, this figure had risen to 14.1 per cent and by 1921, to 22.7 per cent of the whole.

The number of stockholders in the country increased from 4,400,000 in 1900 to 14,400,000 in 1923, while the average number of \$100 shares per stockholder decreased from 140 to 50.

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WHAT STATE LAW MAKERS ARE DOING

House Passes Wage Payment Bill After Amendments Are Added

Lansing, Mich. Despite questions as to whether the bill was constitutional in its present form, the house of representatives passed the Carter twice-monthly wage payment bill, following amendments which exempted several classes of labor, which permitted more frequent payments than twice monthly, and which removed the imprisonment penalty for violation that has been attached. Sixteen negative votes were cast.

The amendments were all introduced by Representative Sherman D. Callender, of Detroit.

Criticism was aimed especially at the section that had contained the imprisonment penalty. Several members charged that inclusion of a clause to imprison for debt made the act unconstitutional, while the removal of the clause in the opinion of others, extracted "the teeth" necessary to make it workable, and that in the form it was finally passed it was virtually only a scrap of paper.

The state legislature adopted a concurrent resolution appointing a committee of ten members to attend the funeral of Dr. Marion LeRoy Burton, president of the University of Michigan. Following this action Governor Groesbeck announced his intention of attending the funeral in company with the members of the legislature.

The resolution which was adopted by the unanimous vote of both houses, expresses "profound regret and sincere sorrow" on the death of President Burton and declares "President Burton's career was marked by a refreshing courage, prophetic vision and inspiring devotion to principle reinforced by a dynamic personality, a pure heart and an active mind and body all of which he combined to elevate and strengthen the standards of ideals of true manhood and womanhood."

Hawkers and peddlers, not only will be required to file applications for licenses to carry on their itinerant business operations in Michigan which will include minute details of their past and present life and future desires, but also will be required to give their finger prints, and submit to a physical examination, if a bill introduced in the senate by Senator Frank Cummings becomes a law. Another bill would require solicitors and transient merchants to take out licenses costing \$10 and \$25 respectively, and to furnish security bonds to the amount of \$500 to the secretary of state.

The fight to place an effective anti-gambling bill on the Michigan statute books was reopened when Senator Joseph A. Bahrski, of Detroit, which he claims, if passed, would give the police the powers they need to curb commercialized gambling. A similar bill was passed in the 1923 session and signed by the Governor. It was in effect until three months ago when the supreme court declared it invalid because of a clerical error in the House.

One of the advantages of the pistol bill introduced into the Legislature by Senator George M. Condon of Detroit lies in its making it legal to prosecute for carrying concealed weapons when a pistol is found in an automobile, William P. Rutledge, superintendent of the Detroit police department pointed out. The bill provides for a registration of all small arms in Michigan before July 1, and a record of all sales and transfers.

Roads totaling 3,398 miles have been built in Michigan with the money available from the \$50,000,000 bond issue approved by the voters in 1919. It is revealed in a report made public by Frank P. Rogers, state highway commissioner. To meet the \$50,000,000 expended by the state, \$14,434,065 was advanced by the Federal government.

The house has passed the McKinnon bill to authorize the state to absorb bonds floated by the Alumni association of the Michigan Agricultural college for the construction of a union building.

A measure to prohibit labor organizations from expelling members for any reason except failure to pay dues, or respect the rules and regulations, was introduced by Representative Crutchfield, Saginaw.

Contractors would be compelled to protect cities, villages, township or other units as well as sub-contractors, by giving bonds sufficient to cover all labor, material, etc., used by sub-contractors, according to a bill put in by Representative G. C. Watson, Capac.

A permanent closed season on quail, with penalties of from \$20 to \$50 or 10 days in jail for violation, was proposed by Representative Frank W. McKenzie, Jackson.

A highway program calling for the absorption by the state of all costs of trunk line construction after Jan. 1, 1926, and a gain of \$3,000,000 in the net return to counties from the automobile license revenues was tentatively agreed to by the House and Senate highway committees. The Ming bill, providing that the State pay the entire cost of construction and have complete charge of laying out trunk lines, is to be reported out soon.

Michigan Happenings

Thousands of fish are floating or frozen in the ice of the River Raisin, west of the dam in the village of Dundee, 14 miles west of Monroe, according to report received. It is said that some poisonous substance has been drained into the river. The authorities are investigating.

Manistee voters will decide at the spring election whether the city is to have a boulevard lighting system. The proposal provides \$5,000 for the first section of the system covering six blocks along the principal street and extensions by approval and appropriation in the future.

Anti-rabbies treatment has been given Lucy Carpenter and Donald Meldrum, two New Baltimore children as a protection against wounds which they received recently when bitten by a mad dog. An examination of the dogs head made at Ann Arbor showed that it had the rabies.

Life imprisonment in solitary confinement was the sentence imposed upon Victor Badgley, 29 years old, who pleaded guilty to slaying 11-year-old Lena Todd, of Coleman. He was sentenced in Circuit court at Midland by Judge Ray Hart and was taken to the Branch State Prison at Marquette.

Harold "Red" Grange, all-American football star from the University of Illinois, is a "very sick man," his physician, Dr. J. F. McCarthy, announced. Grange is suffering from a relapse of the mumps, with which he was stricken when he came to Richmond to deliver an address to high school students.

The Sturgis Memorial hospital, one of the finest and best equipped hospitals in Michigan, has been formally opened. The hospital comprises 21 private rooms, two wards, three surgical rooms, nursery and dining rooms, sun parlors and baths. Miss Annie Hill of Woodstock, Canada, has been named superintendent.

For the second time within a year the village of Daggett, Menominee county, was visited by a serious fire, four buildings being destroyed and two persons being injured. A loss of more than \$30,000 incurred. The post-office building, general store of John Dunham, residence of Axel Swanson and barber shop of John Logan were burned.

Patrolman Phelan McDonough was killed in preventing a robbery of a Brownie drug store at 8200 Hamilton avenue, Detroit. In a gun battle with two of a trio of prospective holdup men he was shot at close range through the head and expired 30 minutes later in the Henry Ford hospital. The bandits escaped in an automobile.

Four Winton township girls are seriously injured as the result of a concrete wall falling upon them at school. Several other children escaped injury. The partition was constructed a short while ago to separate the boys' and girls' classrooms. It was made of concrete and is said to have been fastened loosely to the walls of the building.

Andrew J. Quigley, urbane "Gentleman Andy," alleged confidence man and gambler, and the missing link in the state's prosecution on conspiracy charges of four Mt. Clemens public officials and lawyers, has been brought to Detroit from Hot Springs, Ark., where the chase that led from Detroit to Havana, Cuba, and New Orleans ended.

Residents of Hart opposed to the construction of a community-owned dam and power plant have asked an injunction in Circuit court, restraining the village council from carrying out the plans, indorsed recently in a special election. Those signing the petition for an injunction say that their action is brought through fear that taxes will be considerably increased if the dam and power plant are built.

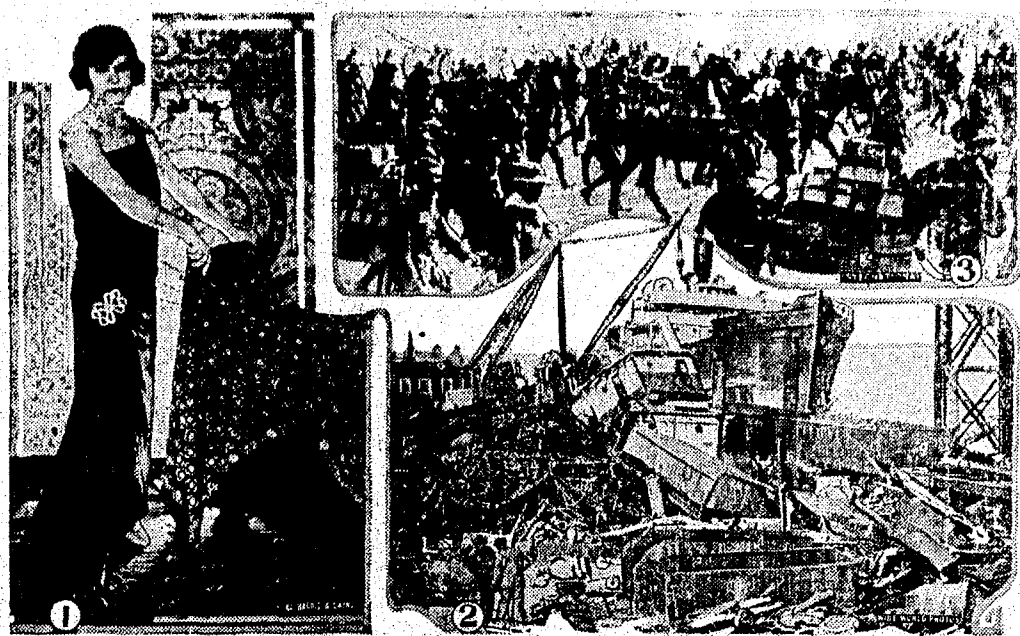
Ordinary dirt is to replace wood and brick in constructing houses if experiments of Prof. F. N. Menfee and R. E. P. Franklin of the University of Michigan mechanical engineering, are followed by general adoption. The experiments have shown, it is claimed, that using only earth and pure sand, mixed with 12 per cent of water, a rigidity capable of maintaining 100 times the weight of the ordinary frame house can be secured. The mixture is tamped in forms, and after drying has the consistency of concrete.

An army airplane, piloted by Staff Sgt. Charles M. Wisely, was sent to Flint from Selfridge Field to pick up a quantity of spark plugs from a Flint factory for use in the arm maneuvers being staged at Lake Vanet.

Miss Lucille Avery, of Pontiac, register of deeds of Oakland county, and the first woman ever elected, to hold a county office in the county, has been married to Edward S. Whitfield, of Pontiac.

Methods of refinancing the West Michigan State Fair Association, being negotiated with Lucius Wilson, president of the General Organization Co. of Chicago, will be considered by the association's new executive committee.

A program calling for the construction of more than 20 miles of gravel roads in St. Clair County this year has been outlined by county highway officials. Hearings on the projects will be held in March.



1—Mrs. Edmond Willm, beautiful wife of new naval attaché of French embassy in Washington. 2—Scene at plant of the Western Marine and Salvage Co., at Alexandria, Va., where hundreds of wooden ships built during the war are being scrapped. 3—View of the great Spanish retreat in Morocco after the victories of the Rif tribesmen.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Navy Board Declares Battleship Still Is Backbone of Our Naval Defense.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

CONTRARY to the opinion of Brig. Gen. William Mitchell and those who support his contentions, the battleship is still the backbone of naval defense and the airplane, while a very valuable arm, will always be an auxiliary instrument of warfare against whose attacks the battleship can be made practically invulnerable. Such is the finding of the special board of the navy created by President Coolidge to investigate the claims of those who asserted that aircraft could sweep navies from the seas.

This board, headed by Admiral Eberle, chief of naval operations, reported last week. Its conclusions, summarized, are these:

"The battleship is the element of ultimate force in the fleet, and all other elements are contributory to the fulfillment of its function as the final arbiter in sea warfare. The other elements have their important, and at times, indispensable functions."

"Aviation has introduced a new and highly important factor in warfare, both on land and sea. It was utilized on an enormous scale and with great effectiveness in land operations during the World war, but did not seriously influence sea operations. Its influence on naval warfare undoubtedly will increase in the future, but the prediction that it will assume paramount importance will not be realized."

"The airplane (heavier than air) is limited in performance by physical laws."

"The airship (lighter than air) has some valuable characteristics, but due to great vulnerability, is of doubtful value in war."

"Aircraft cannot operate from territory that is not controlled by the military or naval forces of their own country."

"Airplanes cannot occupy territory, nor can they exercise control of the sea."

"Airplanes cannot reach distant overseas areas under their own power with any effective military load, and therefore, cannot operate there offensively or defensively until supplied with weapons and fuel."

"The battleship of today, while not invulnerable to airplane attack, still possesses very efficient structural protection, as shown by the experiments on the Washington. The battleship of the future can be so designed as to distribute his armor on decks and sides, and as to interior subdivision, that she will not be subject to fatal damage from the air."

"The effect of plunging long range gun projectile hits on a ship's deck has now become closely analogous to the effect of hits by heavy aerial bombs."

"By armoring the battleship's deck with six or seven inches of armor, we effectively meet any practicable attack from the air and also attack by gun projectiles fired at the greatest probable battle ranges."

"The interior subdivision will resist any mining effect from aerial bombs. It cannot be said, therefore, that air attack has rendered the battleship obsolete."

"The observation value of the airplane has been extended to assisting gunnery by observing and reporting the fall of shot relative to the target."

"Airplanes have demonstrated their great value to the fleet in scouting, observation and bombing. The use of torpedo planes, gas and smoke screens is still in the process of development. Airplane carriers are necessary elements of a properly constituted fleet to carry airplanes to the scene of action."

"As to the plan of unifying navy and army aviation in a separate department of the government, urged by General Mitchell and many others, the board says it would be most injurious to the continued efficiency of the fleet and is a step that should not be taken."

Claims America Had First Civilization

Springfield, Ill.—Ample proof exists for the belief that American civilization antedates that of other Europe or Asia, says Edward W. Payne, Springfield, noted collector of relics in the Middle West, who addressed the Pennsylvanian Academy of Science on "The Stone Age in the Mississippi Valley."

The board made recommendations for a rather elaborate immediate building program to be completed in three years at a cost of \$80,000,000 a year. For this the President has substituted this initial program costing \$30,000,000:

1. Modernization of three of the coal-burning battleships.
2. Continuation of the construction of the two aircraft carriers.
3. Three million dollars for air-planes for the carriers. (This is in addition to \$1,000,000 for this purpose included in the budget for 1926.)
4. Laying down and commencing the construction of two 10,000-ton cruisers.
5. Commencing the construction of gunboats for patrol service on the Yangtze river.

COINCIDENT with the publication of this report came the story from Los Angeles of the performance of army bombing squadron No. 2 under Lieutenant Commander J. Strong. From a height of 7,200 feet the bombers made 20 direct hits on a small sea target that was being towed at 15 miles an hour. Strong's comment was: "Brigadier General Mitchell was correct as to effectiveness of air bombardment on war vessels. We have known it for a long time. Today we proved it."

He added the assertion that his bombers were 1,200 feet above effective anti-aircraft gun range and said the test was made more difficult than expected because a bank of clouds necessitated much preliminary maneuvering to get a peek at the tiny target.

WASHINGTON dispatches of the same date declared that President Coolidge had decided to discipline General Mitchell for casting discredit on his superiors in the War department and presumably would give him the choice of accepting removal from the office of assistant chief of the army air service and reduction to his regular rank of colonel, or resignation from the service. Mitchell is quoted as saying he would accept the demotion and continue to work for a unified air service.

High officers of the army and navy appeared before the house committee on aircraft to tell the nation's actual situation as to defense by air, and while their testimony was not made public, it was learned that they showed that the country was utterly unprepared to resist attack, so far as aircraft are concerned.

Another interesting witness was Frank B. Gorin, secretary of the Chemical Warfare association, who told the committee in polite language that Secretary of the Navy Willbur did not know what he was talking about when he minimized the possibilities of poison gases in war. Gorin laughed at Willbur's statement that it would require 3,000 planes and 3,700,000 pounds of mustard gas to attack a city the size of Washington. From 12 to 16 planes, he said, could demolish a manufacturing center like Pittsburgh, and one ton of gas would cover a territory a mile square.

Eleven planes from Selfridge field have been carrying out winter maneuvers in Michigan that have taught the aviators most valuable lessons especially in the quick handling of the planes in extremely cold weather.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE, it was admitted last week, is sounding out the powers on the advisability of calling another naval disarmament conference to extend the Washington treaty limitations to auxiliary craft. Our ambassadors have been carrying on preliminary conversations in London, Tokyo and Rome and are said to have met with considerable encouragement there. France also, of course, has been consulted but her attitude is not yet revealed. Her assent is necessary. A London paper says Mr. Kellogg, the retiring ambassador, is bringing to the President a message from Foreign Secretary Chamberlain stating that Great Britain would welcome American initiative in the calling of such a conference, which probably means that the British government recognizes that the Geneva peace protocol is practically dead. In Tokyo it was said Foreign Minister Shidehara would insist on preliminary conversations in that city to fix the agenda of the meeting.

At the time of its discovery by the white race," he asserts. "The common explanation is that the progenitors of these savages came across Bering strait from Asia and that the Indians were their descendants."

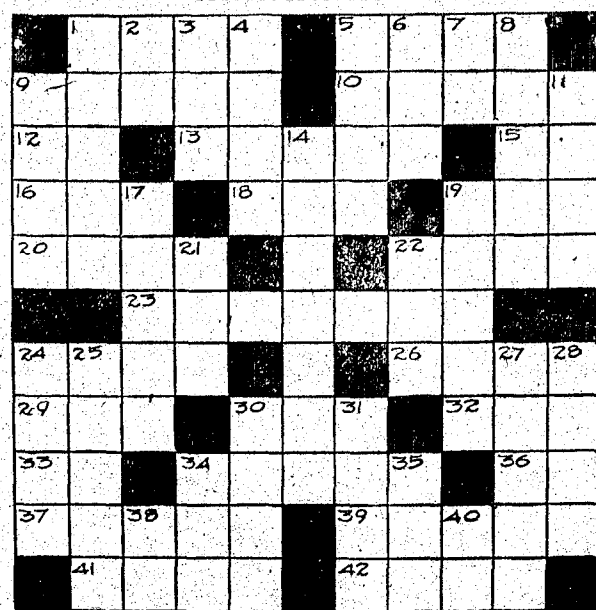
"The fact is that people from this continent went from here to Asia. I base this opinion on the fact that relics and curios found in the Mississippi valley are all duplicated in other parts of the world."

"Harpins illustrate the case. The Chinese made a certain harpin from jade. Many are beautifully carved, but none give evidence of age which harpins of similar design, found in Arkansas, show."

"Another stone found near Winchester, Ill., provides another clue. It is beautifully made and of an unusual shape, but not until I had talked with an army captain who had served in the Philippines did I know its use. He said it was a bath brush. In the interior of the islands he had seen Filipino women washing their children with a similar device."

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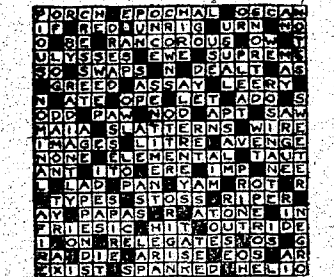
CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



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- Horizontal.
- 1—Plane
 - 2—Particular place
 - 3—Evergreen shrub
 - 4—Ever (poetic)
 - 5—Denoting hesitation
 - 6—In good season
 - 7—River in Italy
 - 8—Engine of war for battering
 - 9—Snare
 - 10—Through
 - 11—Pen name of Charles Lamb
 - 12—Foundation
 - 13—Unites by interweaving
 - 14—Irritate
 - 15—Well-known volcano
 - 16—Organ of hearing
 - 17—Dry (French)
 - 18—Over there
 - 19—College degree
 - 20—Father (sp.)
 - 21—Within
 - 22—Periodically rising and falling
 - 23—Obsolete
 - 24—Sweet fruit
 - 25—Facility
- Vertical.
- 1—Untamed
 - 2—Note of musical scale
 - 3—Devoid
 - 4—Patience expressing comparison
 - 5—Seasoning
 - 6—To work at
 - 7—Exclamation of pain
 - 8—Narrow slit or band of cotton (pl.)
 - 9—In this place
 - 10—Long ago

The solution will appear in next issue.

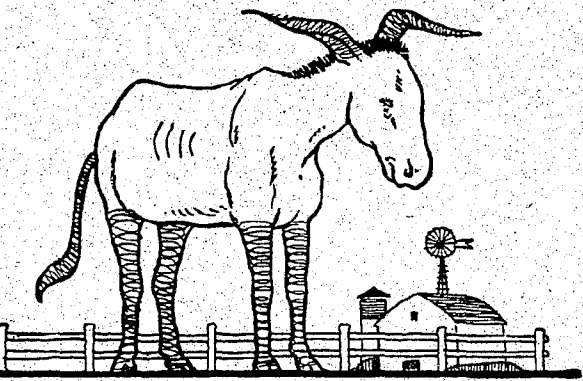


HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white squares this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white squares up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black squares. All words used are dictionary words, except proper nouns. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete forms are indicated in the definitions.

ANIMALS OF NEVERWERE

By DON W. REI



THE SPRINGY-DONKEYING

The Springy-Donkeying, is an odd, ungainly thing; He's a bouncing, bending, bucking sort of critter; No one can ever ride him, for he's full of springs inside him, And his heart of steel is always tense and bitter.

His food is iron shavings, and he has no other cravings, Save a drink or two of oil for lubrication; He gets wound up as he sleeps, and all day he leaps and leaps, Like four dozen school boys going on vacation.

This animal so springy, is as tall as he is stringy; Every move he makes is filled with creaks and twanging. Stop the mainpring in his heart, and his springs will fly apart, Which kills this iron Donkey, dead as springing.

"Tablecloth" Spread by Mist Over Mountain Top

One of the most interesting sights to be seen in cloudland is the "spreading of the tablecloth" over Table Mountain in South Africa. When a southerly or southeasterly wind sweeps in from the southern ocean the mountain barrier deflects upward, the moist air cools by expansion, and a dense white cloud spreads over the summit.

It is particularly striking because a perfectly cloudless sky generally prevails at the same time over the surrounding country. The cloud forms a level layer and pours over the leeward edge of the mountain, dissolving and disappearing at a fairly definite level. Thus the picture of a "tablecloth" is complete. The wind that causes the cloud is always more or less violent, and after making the sweep of the mountain it descends in a cataract into the city of Cape Town, which it fills with dust and uproar. The suddenness with which the cloud forms is a source of danger to persons who make the ascent of Table Mountain.

Fatal accidents have occurred because visitors have wandered about in the mist and fallen over precipices; some who preferred to wait for the mist to rise have been obliged to remain for hours in one spot. The literature of the "tablecloth" dates back at least as far as the Seventeenth century. There is a quaint old German work dealing with atmospheric marvels, published at Nuremberg in 1680, containing a picture and a description of the cloud, which had already acquired its present name.

Good Enough Reason

A bright girl in a large school applied to her teacher for leave to be absent half a day, on a plea that her mother had received a telegram which stated company was on the way.

"It's my father's half-sister and her three boys," said the pupil anxiously, "and mother doesn't see how she can do without me, because those boys always act so dreadfully."

The teacher referred to her printed list of reasons which justified absence and asked if her case came under any of them.

"I think it might come under this head, Miss Rules," said the girl, pointing as she spoke to the words "Domestic Affliction."

Ocean Clay

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from volcanic matter such as pumice and volcanic glass; the fragments were slowly worn to pieces, and the various substances finally decomposed and formed clays. The red color is owing to oxides of iron and of manganese in the volcanic rocks.

Bigger Mental Game

"I don't need no cross-word puzzles," said Uncle Eben. "My mind's busy enough studyin' up words dat's goin' towards 'splainin' to de landlodd.'" Washington Star.

After Every Meal



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Duck Killed by Golf Ball

C. C. Young, a golfer at Houston, Texas, bagged a wild duck recently in making a drive. The ball started off as if it would cover most of the 275 yards to the green, when it encountered the bird, which was flying low.

Opportunity is an angel in disguise that some people suspect of being a gold-brick peddler.

How Robert M. Koenig Found Remedy for Pimply Skin



For years my skin would break out every once in a while—and ointments did very little to help me. I read a doctor's article stating that pimply skin usually comes from the stomach—and bowels not getting rid of the poisons. I tried Carter's Little Liver Pills for a few days—and since that time my skin is smooth and clear. Now I tell my friends the right way of getting rid of a broken out skin—and also of steering clear of upset stomach and sick headache. Carter's are all you claim for them.

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That terrible "hack," "hack," "hack," that almost drives you frantic and strains your whole body can be quieted in a jiffy by taking a swallow now and then of that fine old medicine, Kemp's Balsam. It cuts the phlegm, soothes the inflamed membrane, takes away that constant desire to cough, cough, cough. Only 30 cents at all stores.

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HINDER CORNS

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

BY MARY GRAHAM BONNER

I'D LIKE TO BE

Old Witty Witch, and Old Mr. Giant, Billie Brownie, Peter Gnome and many of the others decided to have a verse party.

"A verse party," explained Witty Witch, who was going to have the party at the entrance to her cave, "is a party which might be worse. That is, the verses might be worse. So don't write your worst verses but next-to-the-worst."

It was very nice to be able to write a next-to-the-worst verse. That meant they didn't have to apologize for it too much.

They didn't have to say: "My verse would have been better had I not been rushed at the last moment and so couldn't give it the proper time."

Nor would they have to say: "I didn't just feel in the poetry mood today. You know some days I feel in it so much more than others."

They didn't have to make any excuses at all.

But there was one rule. And that was that the verses should be about something they'd like to be if they weren't themselves.

It was curious too, to see, when the verses were being read, that no one really wanted to be anything else.

There is always some reason why no one wants to be someone or something else. You'll find it that way.

Sometimes you will wish you had as much money to spend on toys as



"We Need Strength After All Our Effort."

another little girl you know, and yet you wouldn't like to change places with her as you wouldn't want her daddy and her mother as you would your own. Maybe, too, her daddy wouldn't let her own a pet dog!

Oh, you'll always find that you've grown so used to being you that you don't really want to wholly change places with any one.

But of course at the next-to-the-worst verse party they thought of absurd things they might be! That was quite natural. Here are their verses.

This was Witty Witch's verse:

I'd like to be a Rhinoceros. And live upon the Nile. Of such wretched taste and style.

This was Billie Brownie's:

I'd like to be a circus clown. So folks would laugh at me. But it wouldn't be so pleasant. If my jokes they couldn't see.

This was Old Mr. Giant's:

I'd like to be an elephant. With a trunk to swing and sway. But it wouldn't be so handy. When I went out to play.

This was Peter Gnome's:

I'd like to be a tortoise. And live for years and years. But a home within a shell. Would cause me to shed tears.

This was Effie Elf's:

I'd like to be a how-wow. And have a little tail. But wagging it so constantly. 'Would make me tired and pale.

There were more verses and then there was a great banquet of delicious goodies served by Witty Witch, for she said:

"We need strength after all our effort!"

Wanted One Loud

A farmer had come up to town for a few days. Before he started he had promised to bring his daughter a present, so he went into a jeweler's shop and said to the assistant: "I want a pair of earrings, cheap, but pretty."

"Yes, sir," said the jeweler, "you want something loud, I suppose?"

"Well, I don't mind if one of them is a little loud," replied the farmer. "My girl is slightly deaf in one ear."

On a Detour

Jack and Y were making our first trip across the Atlantic to meet our mother in London. The weather had been beautiful and calm for the first two days, but on the third morning, the ship rolled and pitched heavily.

Jack awoke me from an uneasy slumber.

"Daddy, what is the matter with the boat today? Are we on a detour?" he asked.

A Matter of Choice

"Mamma," said four-year-old Edna one day, "why are you going to give my kitty to the milkman?"

"Because the kitty scratched baby sister and we can't keep her any longer."

"But, mamma," said Edna, as a frown wrinkled her little brow, "why can't we give baby sister to the milkman and keep the kitty?"

Borrowed Property

Teacher—Henry, what are you chewing?

Henry—Chewing gum.

Teacher—Bring it right up here and throw it into the waste-paper basket.

Henry—But it isn't mine, it belongs to Jimmy Long.

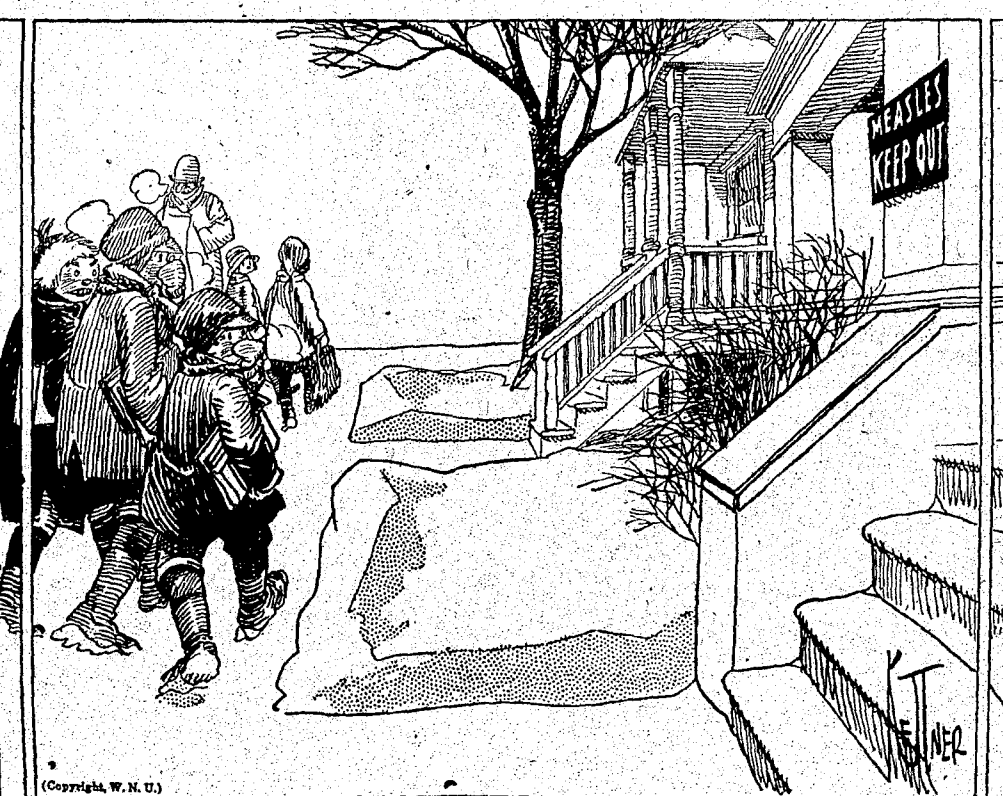
Correct?

Teacher—Describe the manners and customs of the people of India.

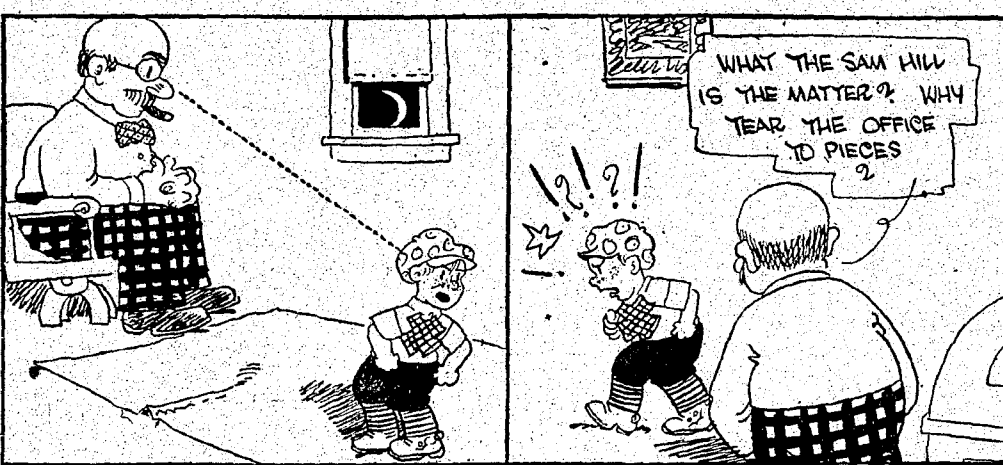
Pupil—They didn't got no manners and they don't wear no customs.

OUR COMIC SECTION

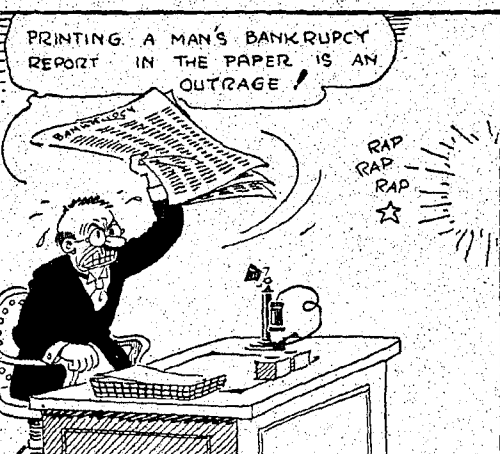
Events in the Lives of Little Men



MICKIE, THE PRINTER'S DEVIL

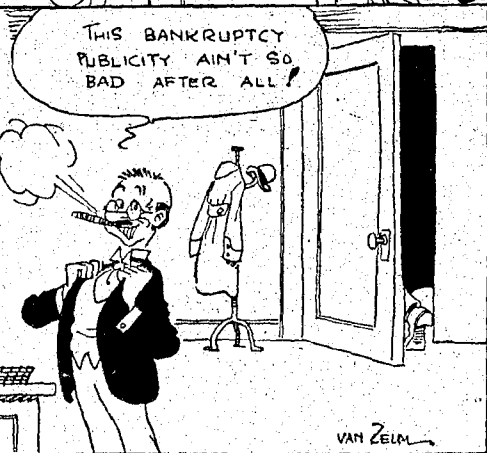


WHAT'S THE USE



There are 20 women lawyers in England.

A Change of Opinion



There is a vegetable octopus in South America.

St. Peter's cathedral, Rome, can accommodate 54,000 worshippers.

MARKETS

Butter and Eggs

Butter markets firmer. Prices of 92 score butter, No. 1 creamery, in tubs, 37¢40¢ per lb. Eggs, fresh receipts, 34¢1-2¢36¢ per doz.

Feed

Feed market decidedly weak. Quoted Detroit, in carlots: Winter wheat bran, 34¢; spring wheat bran, 33¢; standard middlings, 33¢; fine middlings, 33¢; cracked corn, 35¢; coarse cornmeal, 34¢; chop, 34¢ per ton in carlots.

Hay and Straw

Hay market steady to dull. Quoted Detroit in carlots: No. 1 timothy, 17¢18¢; standard and light mixed, 16¢17¢; No. 2 timothy, 15¢16¢; No. 1 clover mixed, 15¢16¢; No. 1 clover, 14¢15¢; wheat and oat straw, 11¢11.50¢; rye straw, 12.50¢13¢ per ton in carlots.

Fruits and Vegetables

Potatoes generally lower in eastern markets. U. S. No. 1 Michigan, in carlots, 1.60 per 150-lb sack f. o. b. Detroit. Cabbage weak at 75¢81¢. Onions unsettled with a weaker tendency at 33¢35¢. Apples strengthened in leading markets. Greenings, 22¢25¢; Spys, 33¢35¢; Baldwin, 22¢25¢ per bu.

Grain

Grain market firm after declines. Quoted Detroit, Wheat, Cash No. 1 red, 1.38¢; No. 2 red, No. 2 white and No. 2 mixed, 1.37¢. Yellow corn, cash No. 3, 1.25¢; No. 4, 1.20¢; No. 5, 1.15¢. White oats, cash No. 2, 55¢; No. 3, 54¢. Rye, cash No. 2, 1.55¢. Beans, Michigan, choice hand picked, prompt shipment, 56.05¢6.10¢ per cwt. Barley, malting, 1.01¢; feeding, 95¢. Buck wheat, milling, 22.25¢22.28¢ per cwt. Seeds, prime red clover, 19.60¢. October, 14.25¢; alsike, 12.85¢; timothy, 33.05¢.

Livestock and Meats

Hog prices higher at 11.40¢ for the top and 10.80¢11.50¢ for the bulk Detroit and Chicago. Medium and good beef steers higher at 36¢11.75¢; butcher cows and heifers steady at 34¢10.50¢; feeder steers steady at 35¢8.25¢; light and medium weight calves steady to higher at 10¢10.15¢; fat lambs lower at 15¢17.75¢; feeding lambs lower at 13¢17¢; yearlings lower at 12.50¢15.25¢, and fat ewes steady to lower at 36¢9.50¢. Live poultry, Detroit, Capons, over 7 lbs 33¢35¢; spring chickens, fancy, 4 1/2 lbs, 28¢; medium chickens, 28¢; leghorns, 22¢23¢; best hens, 5 lbs up, 28¢; leghorns and small, 22¢23¢; old roosters, 16¢17¢; geese, 18¢20¢; ducks, large white, 30¢32¢; small dark, 26¢27¢; best turkeys, 35¢.

UNUSUAL HAPPENINGS AND OTHER BRIEF NEWS

Protection For Union Members

A measure to prohibit labor organizations from expelling members for any reason except failure to pay dues or respect the rules and regulations, was introduced by Representative Crutcher, Saginaw.

Baby Plane Makes Record

Bourget, France—A baby monoplane with a 25-horsepower motor flew to the Bourget aerodrome from Brussels, a distance of 172 miles, in two hours and 45 minutes at an average speed of 60 miles an hour.

Roumania Reports Germans

Berlin—Diplomatic tension between Germany and Roumania is near the breaking point, it was said in diplomatic circles. Roumania has been deporting scores of Germans. The German government has threatened reprisals.

Italian Papers Suppressed

Rome—A new wave of newspaper suppression has swept Italy. At Bologna fascisti attacked the office of Resto Del Carlino because the editor had ceased to be a fascist. The Corriere Della Sera at Milan has also been suppressed. It was one of Italy's foremost newspapers. Three Rome daily papers have stopped publication.

Detroit Fourth in Exports

Washington—Despite a falling off in its total exports for the year, Detroit maintained in the calendar year of 1924 its former position as the fourth exporting port of the United States. It ranks next to New York in northern cities. Galveston and New Orleans being second and third respectively in the table of the year's totals. Figures announced by the commerce department show that Detroit's exports totaled in 1924 \$195,902,382, compared with a total of \$226,590,488 in 1923.

Inventor Wins Millions

San Francisco—George Campbell Carson, tramp miner and self-styled "Raoter," wandered about San Francisco dazed by the decision of the United States Circuit court which held his patented smelter feeder device had been infringed on by big copper companies. The American Smelting & Refining Co., and other firms were ordered to give an accounting which, it is estimated, will net Carson \$20,000,000 or more.

Economy Hits White House

Washington—Evidence of President Coolidge's insistence on "economy at home" began to appear while employees in the White House offices waited to learn the winner in the \$10 prize economy contest conducted by N. P. Webster, disbursing clerk of the offices, in an endeavor to ascertain ways and means of cutting expenses. Mr. Coolidge has demanded a saving of \$12,500 during the coming fiscal year.

SICK WOMEN OF MIDDLE AGE

Can Be Carried Comfortably Over The Critical Period by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

—Note Mrs. Headen's Case

Macon, Georgia.—"During the Change of Life I suffered with my whole right side and could not lie on my left side. I was in bed about two months and could not get up only as my son would lift me. After doctoring without relief a man who was recommending Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound commended his mother at the Change of Life, so I began taking your medicine. After taking it for two weeks I could get out of my bed by myself. I am now 63 years old and in better health and stronger than ever in my life. I have recommended the Vegetable Compound to many suffering women, young and old, and you may use my name anywhere as long as you please. I will be glad to answer any letters sent to me."

—Mrs. F. B. HEADEN, 6 Holt Avenue, Macon, Georgia.

In a recent country-wide canvass of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, over 200,000 replies were received and 98 out of every 100 reported they had been benefited by its use. For sale by druggists everywhere.

Freak Lightning

A freak bolt of lightning struck the aproned shovel of a workman at Salem, Mass., split into three parts, and jumped to three different houses. In one house it stunned six-month-old twins. Weather-boarding and plaster were torn from the second house. The third house was a bungalow, just completed, which was damaged slightly. The workmen were uninjured.

Sure Relief FOR INDIGESTION

6 BELLANS Hot water Sure Relief

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25¢ AND 75¢ PACKAGES EVERYWHERE

Vaseline

PETROLEUM JELLY

Household Necessity

For cuts, burns, blisters, rashes, wounds, or skin troubles of every kind. Soothing and healing. Keeps it always in the house. In tubes or tins. Look for the trademark "Vaseline" on every package. It is your protection.

Chesebrough Mfg. Co. (Coca'd) State Street New York

Little Learning

"What did your boy learn at college?"

"The three R's."

"But what are the three R's?"

"Rah, rah, rah."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Winter's fault is that it has no such lazy, pastime as going fishing.

GET FEELING WELL AGAIN

From Mother Nature's storehouse we have gathered the roots, herbs and barks which are compounded under the famous Tanlac formula, to make Tanlac. This great tonic and builder has brought health and strength to millions.

If your body is weak and undernourished, if you can't sleep or eat, have stomach trouble, or burning rheumatism, just you see how quickly Tanlac can help you back to health and strength.

Most people notice a big change for the better after the very first bottle. They have better appetites and more pep. The sparkle comes back to their dull eyes and color to their faded cheeks.

Don't delay taking Tanlac another precious day. Stop at your druggist's now and get a bottle of this, the greatest of all tonics.

Take Tanlac Vegetable Pills for Constipation

TANLAC FOR YOUR HEALTH

Beauty Of Hair and Skin Preserved by Cuticura

Soap to Cleanse Ointment to Heal

DR. HUMPHREYS' "77" FOR COLDS GRIP INFLUENZA

SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL REPORT OF JANUARY SESSION.

Meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the County of Crawford, held at the Court House in the village of Grayling, on the 6th day of January, 1925.

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Members present: Chas. Craven, Wm. Ferguson, E. S. Houghton, Rufus Edmonds, Jos. J. Royce.

Absent: J. E. Kellogg.

Moved by Houghton supported by Royce that the county officers bonds on file be referred to a committee of the whole for consideration and report. Motion carried.

Report of the Committee on Finance and Settlement submitted as follows:

To the Board of Supervisors, Crawford County, Michigan.

Your committee on Finance and Settlement to whom was referred the matter of the examination of the records and operations of the Crawford County Road Commission, respectfully submit the following report.

Records and files of the Road Commission except in a few instances were found complete.

During the year 1919-1920-1921 the county Road Commissioners entered into contracts with the State Highway Department for the construction of state trunk line highways as follows:

Contract 18-7 \$122,137.29

Contract 18-9-C 32,516.91

Contract 18-2-B 37,329.69

Total \$191,983.89

Organization

Early in the spring of the year 1920 the following organization was in effect and continued until the close of the year 1921.

Chairman of the Road Commission; John J. Niederer.

Purchasing Agent of the Road Commission; John J. Niederer.

Auditor of the Road Commission; John J. Niederer.

Supt. of Maintenance of the Road Commission; John J. Niederer.

Supt. of Construction under Contract of the Road Commission; E. S. Houghton.

County Road Commissioners, Ralph Hanna, C. S. Barber were holding responsible positions on State Trunk Line Road Construction. Barber did not give continuous service.

Hay and Oats were purchased in car lots and stored in the county barn and later distributed to the several road camps and other places for consumption.

No warehouse account was kept but invoices for hay and oats were charged direct to road construction account regardless of where or how such distribution was made.

During the year 1920, Mr. Niederer hauled the hay and oats, lumber, etc., to the road camps and other places with his own teams and later the county trucks were used in connection with this operation.

The amounts of hay, oats, bran, corn, rye, straw, etc., purchased during the year 1920, 1921, as shown by invoices and order for payment on file equals the sum of \$194,622.

Hay, oats, bran, etc. used on road construction, \$15,356.34

Drunkwine refund, 100.00

C. S. Barber refund, 21.00

Hay and straw used under gravel in road, 1,040.20

Amount on hand Jan. 1, 1922, 934.57

Loss in distribution, 2,495.51

Total \$19,947.62

Equipment

On May 27th 1920 we notice that 12 army tents were purchased at \$35.00 each and freight \$427.20. All but four tents have disappeared.

Fifteen sets of harness were purchased to the amount of \$479.50. Two sets were sold for \$57.00. One set on hand. Part of this harness is now in the hands of the Road Commissioners Knibbs and Niederer, used on private work.

We recommend that the practice of the lending of County property for private use be discontinued.

Irregularities

We call attention to the following items that seem to be irregular and in effect caused a loss to the county.

On June 27, 1921, order No. 275, amount \$1,557.27, check No. 6885 issued to the amount of \$1,354.80, loss to County \$402.47

Dec. 1920 Hans Niederer car, 40.00

Dec. 1920 Hans Niederer car, 40.00

Jan. 1921 Hans Niederer, 40.00

May 1921 Hans Niederer, 12.00

Dec. 1920 Hans Niederer car, 30.00

Mar. 1921 Hans Niederer truck, 52.00

Jan. 1921 Hans Niederer, 38.75

Mar. 1921 Hans Niederer, 24.00

Apr. 1921 Hans Niederer, 3.00

July 1921 Hans Niederer, 12.00

August 1921 Hans Niederer, 30.00

August 15, 1920 W. Jorgenson refund \$100.00 net by error \$5.00 95.00

Oct. 1920 Hans Niederer time on maintenance 26 days 36.00

Oct. 1920 Hans Niederer time on S. S. Lake road 6 days 36.00

Nov. 1920 Hans Niederer time on maintenance 21 days 66.00

Hans Niederer, S. S. Lake road 16 days 8.10

Repairs on Ice Machine 8.10

Total \$964.32

County Road Commissioners

The Board of Supervisors fixed the compensation of the County Road Commissioners at \$4.00 per day.

When working on construction Commissioners Hanna and Barber received \$4.00 and board per day and later received \$1.00 per day bonus. Bonus paid Barber, \$138.50

Bonus paid Hanna, 395.50

Total \$534.00

County Losses

Loss on hay, oats, bags, corn, etc., \$2,495.51

Irregular payments, 964.32

Bonuses paid, 534.00

All of which is respectfully submitted. December 19, 1924.

Joseph J. Royce, E. S. Houghton, Rufus Edmonds.

ment, Present; Craven, Ferguson, Houghton, Edmonds, Royce.

Absent: Kellogg.

Board called to order by the chairman.

Moved by Houghton supported by Edmonds that the report of the Committee on Finance and Settlement relative to the County Road Commission examination be accepted, approved, and adopted, and that the contract by the County Road Commission with E. S. Houghton be entered in the record of this session in full. Motion carried.

Road Commissioners Contract with E. S. Houghton.

THIS AGREEMENT, made this seventh day of February in the year nineteen hundred and twenty, BY AND BETWEEN Edward S. Houghton of the village of Grayling in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, party of the first part, and the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Crawford, party of the second part.

WITNESSETH as follows: The said party of the first part hereby covenants and agrees that he will superintend and manage the work of construction of the trunk line road No. 18-7 in all details including the hiring and discharging of men and teams and the fixing of compensation within a stipulated wage schedule and to do all other things necessary as such superintendent to complete the construction of said trunk line road all subject however to the advice and approval of the State Highway Commissioner and the Chairman of the County Road Commissioners of Crawford County.

That said party of the second part hereby covenants and agree that they will pay to the said party of the first part for the services as such superintendent the sum of \$200.00 per month from March 1, 1920 to Nov. 1, 1920, and the further sum of \$400.00 if the contract for construction of said road is completed by November 1, 1920 within the estimated cost of \$95,000.00 exclusive of costs for machinery purchased.

And for the true and faithful performance of each and all of the covenants and agreements herein before mentioned, the parties hereto bind themselves, each unto the other that this contract is also subject to a reasonable extension of time which may be granted by the State Highway Commissioner.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Edward S. Houghton. (Seal).

The Board of County Road Commissioners.

By John J. Niederer. (Seal).

Chairman.

Moved by Ferguson supported by Edmonds that the invoices relating to the County Officers premium be referred to the Committee on Claims and Accounts. Motion carried.

Report of the Committee on Claims and Accounts.

State of Michigan.

County of Crawford.

To the Honorable, the Board of Supervisors,

Your Committee on Claims and Accounts would respectfully submit the following as their report and do hereby recommend that the several amounts schedule herein be allowed to the County Clerk of the Board be authorized to draw orders on the County Treasurer for the same.

Claimant Character of Claim Claimed Allowed

R. D. Connors Supplies \$16.10 \$16.10

Peter F. Jorgenson Board Bill 24.00 24.00

Peter F. Jorgenson Board Bill 60.40 60.40

Peter F. Jorgenson Board Bill 49.60 49.60

Peter F. Jorgenson Board Bill 5.20 5.20

Peter F. Jorgenson Services and Livery 29.39 29.39

O. P. Schumann Drawing Jury 2.00 2.00

Emil Kraus Drawing Jury 2.00 2.00

L. A. Potter Stamp Co. Supplies 66.39 66.39

Frank Deckrow Plumbing a/c 7.75 7.75

Hugo Schreiber Jr. Livery a/c 5.50 5.50

Herluf Sorenson Premium Clerk Bond 9.50 9.50

Merle F. Nellist Premium Court Comm's bond 10.50 10.50

Merle F. Nellist Premium Co. Treasurer bond 270.50 270.50

Wm. Ferguson, Jos. J. Royce, Committee on Claims and Accounts.

Dated January 7th 1925.

Report of the Committee of the Whole on County Officers' bonds.

To the Board of Supervisors, Crawford County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Your committee of the whole to whom was referred the matter of officers' bonds of the several county officers for the ensuing year, respectfully report that they have examined the same and do hereby recommend the approval of the following bonds to wit:

Sheriff, bond of J. E. Bobenmoyer, Amount \$10,000.00, Sureties-Marius Hanson, Rasmus Hanson, C. R. Keyport, R. D. Connors.

County Treasurer, Bond of E. S. Chalkers, Surety-Southern Surety Company, amount, \$30,000.00.

County Clerk, Bond of Frank Sales, Surety-Aetna Casualty Company, amount, \$20,000.00.

Register of Deeds, Bond of Andrew Hart, Surety-Southern Surety Company, amount, \$3,000.00.

County Road Commissioner, Bond of Oliver B. Scott, Sureties-George Burke, Walmer Jorgenson, amount \$2,000.00.

Coroner, Bond of Claude R. Keyport, amount \$10,000.00, Sureties-no bond filed.

Surgeon, No bond filed.

Circuit Court Commissioner, Bond of Merle F. Nellist, Surety-Southern

Surety Company, amount, \$3,000.00

Committee:

Chas. Craven, E. S. Houghton, Joseph J. Royce, Wm. Ferguson, Rufus Edmonds.

Dated January 7th, 1925.

Moved by Houghton, supported by Royce that the report of the Committee of the Whole on County Officers' bonds be accepted, approved, and adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Houghton, supported by Royce that the report of the Committee on Claims and Accounts be accepted, approved, and adopted. Yea and Nay vote called. Yea-Craven, Houghton, Edmonds, Royce.

Nay-none.

Absent-Kellogg. Motion carried.

Resolution by Mr. Houghton: Resolved that this Board of Supervisors appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 payable to the Secretary of the County Farm Bureau, same to be applied to the payment of the salary and expenses of the County Agent only and that a financial report of such receipts and expenditures be submitted to this Board on the 1st day of April 1925. Further that the said County Farm Bureau shall submit additional financial reports on such receipts and expenditures whenever the Board of Supervisors shall require. Yea-and-Nay vote called. Yea-Craven, Houghton, Edmonds, Royce.

Nay-none.

Absent-Kellogg. Resolution declared adopted by the chairman.

Moved by Edmonds supported by Royce that the Board adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock, a. m. Motion carried.

Frank Sales, Clerk.

Chas. Craven, Chairman.

Thursday Session.

January 8, 1925.

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Craven, Houghton, Edmonds, Royce.

Absent: Ferguson, Kellogg.

Quorum being present, the Board was called to order by the chairman.

Resolution by Mr. Houghton: Resolved that the following resolution passed by this Board January 7th, 1925, namely: "That this Board of Supervisors appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 payable to the Secretary of the County Farm Bureau, same to be applied to the payment of the Secretary and expenses of a county agent only, and that financial report of such receipts and expenditures be submitted to this Board on the 1st day of April 1925."

Further that the said County Farm Bureau shall submit additional financial reports on such receipts and expenditures whenever this Board of Supervisors shall require" be rescinded.

Yea-and-Nay vote: Yea-Craven, Houghton, Royce, Edmonds.

Nay-none.

Absent-Ferguson, Kellogg.

Resolution by Mr. Houghton: Resolved that this Board of Supervisors appropriate the sum of \$1,200 from the general fund of the county, for the use of the Crawford County Agricultural agent.

That the County Clerk of Crawford County pay the sum of \$500.00 per month as salary to said Agent. The same paid in the same manner in which County officers are paid. That said Agent be allowed the balance of the \$1,200.00 as expenses in the conduct of his office payable by County Clerk of Crawford County on the presentation of said County Clerk of an itemized account of said expenses and said expenses meeting said County

Moved by Houghton supported by Royce that the report of the committee of the whole relating to the settlement with the County Treasurer's office be accepted, approved and adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Houghton supported by Royce that the clerk of this Board be and is herewith authorized to issue birth certificates paid by the County Treasurer at a previous date hereto. Motion carried.

Moved by Royce supported by Edmonds that the bills of the several Supervisors for attendance at this session be allowed as charged and that the clerk of this Board be and is herewith authorized to draw checks in favor thereof. Motion carried.

Moved by Houghton supported by Edmonds that the bills of supervisors for committee service be allowed as charged and the clerk authorized to issue checks in payment. Motion carried.

The minutes of this session were read and approved.

Moved by Houghton supported by Royce that the Board adjourn.

Motion carried.

Frank Sales, Clerk.

Chas. Craven, Chairman.

herewith submit the results of their findings therein as follows:

Cash listing

Dec. 31, 1924 Bank Balance, less outstanding orders \$13,650.09

Cash inventory 532.87

Orders and checks in vault 304.89

Treasurer's balance as shown for December 31, 1924 14,915.53 427.08

Deficit December 31, 1924 427.08

\$14,915.53 \$14,915.53

We therefore report back to you County Treasurer's report asking that the same be recorded in the records of this session in full, and filed with the County Clerk.

Signed: Chas. Craven, E. S. Houghton, Joseph J. Royce, Rufus Edmonds.

Committee of the Whole.

Report of the County Treasurer's Office Crawford County

Grayling, Mich. Jan. 7th, 1925.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:

I, Edwin S. Chalkers, do hereby submit the following report showing the receipts and disbursements and balance on hand from the 1st day of October to December 31, 1924 as compiled from records in this office.

Yours respectfully,

E. S. Chalkers, County Treasurer.

October 1st to Dec. 31, 1924.

Balance at commencement Oct. 1-1924 \$13,016.51

General fund \$90.05

Poor fund 252.69

Livary fund 75.00

County Road fund 6,773.80

Inheritance tax fund 153.38

Mortgage tax fund 50.25

State tax fund 414.20

Delinquent tax fund 1,225.05

Teacher's Institute 38.71

Township fund 543.37

City and Village fund 79.64

Redemption fund 176.71

Hunting License 177.70

May Tax Sales 618.30

Naturalization 4.50

*Overdrawn \$26,459.36

Credit Receipts \$10,359.79

Amount Available \$13,106.56

Disbursements \$5,928.26

Net balance Dec. 31-1924 \$7,178.30

Debit Disbursements \$1,678.94

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